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WHITEAWAY'S

Lord Halifax's Revelations to Peers

WHY PRAGUE CAPITULATED

HORROR OF SWIFT AIR BOMBARDMENT

RUMOURS THAT THE CZECH GOVERNMENT HAD CAPITULATED TO A BLOODLESS OCCUPATION BECAUSE HERR HITLER HAD THREATENED AN IMMEDIATE AND HORRIFYING AIR BOMBARDMENT OF PRAGUE AND OTHER CITIES ARE NOW SEEMINGLY CONFIRMED.

In the House of Lords yesterday, the Foreign Secretary said that it was most probable that the Czechs had been presented with an ultimatum on these lines.

It was difficult to avoid the conclusion, he declared, that the bulk of the incidents that occurred before the German invasion were deliberately evoked, and their effects greatly magnified.

German troops occupied two towns on the evening of March 14 while the Czech President was en route to Berlin for the fateful conference with Hitler.

NO PARTY DIFFERENCES

In face of the grave issues with which Britain is concerned party differences seem to disappear, declared Viscount Halifax amidst cheers when making a statement in the House of Lords last night.

"It is quite true," he continued, "that recent events have been a profound shock to all thinking people in this country, and far outside of it."

OCCUPATION OF VILLAGES

"Surely it is not without significance that two towns were occupied by German S.S. detachments on the evening of March 14 while the President and Foreign Minister of Czecho-Slovakia were still on their way to Herr Hitler, and before any discussion had taken place."

Dealing with Herr Hitler's proclamation declaring the former Czech territory to be under German protection, Viscount Halifax said:

"It should be noted that while the head of the administration now to be set up is said to hold the rank of head of the State, and while the protectorate is said to be autonomous and self-governing, there is to be a resident in Prague with full powers to veto legislation."

MILITARY GARRISONS

"Foreign affairs, and the protection of nationals abroad devolve on the German Government which will maintain military garrisons and establishments in the protectorate."

"The protectorate is bound to Germany by a customs union, and the German Government can issue decrees and take any measures for the preservation of peace and order."

"As a result of these several actions the dismemberment of Czecho-Slovakia, may therefore be said now to be complete."

Dealing with the grounds on which Germans justified the action, Viscount Halifax said: "It is difficult to avoid the conclusion that the sudden decision of certain Slovak leaders to break off from Prague was reached independently of outside influence."

After giving a further narrative of the events, Viscount Halifax declared: "It is difficult to avoid the conclusion that the bulk of the incidents that occurred before the German invasion were deliberately evoked, and their effects greatly magnified."

Lord Halifax continued: "It is not necessary to say much about the assertion that the Czech President freely assented to the subjugation of his people."

SWIFT AIR BOMBARDMENT

"In view of the circumstances in which he went to Berlin, and of the occupation of parts of Czecho-Slovakia which had already taken place, the most sensible people would conclude that there was little pretence of negotiation, that it was more



LORD HALIFAX



A COUPLE THE WHOLE WORLD ADMIRES: One of the most recent photographs of Generalissimo and Madame Chiang Kai-shek, attending the "Offer Gold" campaign at Chungking this month. Madame Chiang Kai-shek is now in Hongkong. She flew to the Colony with the Generalissimo's Australian adviser, Mr. W. H. Donald, for the purpose of receiving dental treatment here, and will return to Chungking within a few days.

CRISIS QUESTIONS IN COMMONS

Effect On National Defence Programme

LONDON, Mar. 20. IN VIEW of Germany's acquisition of war material and munitions factories in Czecho-Slovakia, does the Prime Minister propose a revision of the national defence programme, asked Mr. Wedgwood Benn (Lab) in the House of Commons to-day.

NEXT MOVE IN MEMEL

Wide Demands On Lithuania Seen

MEMEL, Mar. 20. REPORTS ARE widely current that Memel Germans are contemplating the presentation of far-reaching demands from Lithuania.

Both sides deny that demands have been presented, but the following demands are anticipated:

- Lithuania to hand to Memel control of the posts, telegraphs, railways and other communications, as well as income from harbour dues; dismissed Memel German State officials to be reinstated, and back salaries paid; the Lithuanian garrison and frontier police to be withdrawn.

BRITISH ACTION

"In these circumstances, His Majesty's Government thought it fit immediately to take certain action."

Viscount Halifax then referred to the immediate suspension of the visit of Mr. Oliver Stanley and Mr. R. S. Hudson to Berlin, adding:

CARS CONFISCATED

LONDON, Mar. 20. According to a Bratislava message, the chief of staff of the Hlinka Guards has ordered all Jews to place

The Prime Minister replied that his statement of March 17, that every aspect of "national life must now be reviewed in the light of our national safety, of course covered the national defence programme."

Miss Ellen Wilkinson asked if this included any representation to the Iron and Steel Federation of Great Britain that pig-iron and scrap shall not be sold to Germany as we sold it in the last war.

The Prime Minister replied that that might be called an aspect of national life.—*Reuter.*

NO WRITTEN ULTIMATUM

LONDON, Mar. 20. "As far as I am aware, no written ultimatum was presented to President Hacha prior to his acceptance of the agreement with Hitler, on March 15," said Mr. Neville Chamberlain during question-time in the House of Commons to-day.

Sir Neville Henderson was instructed on March 17 to inform the German Government that the British Government desired to make it plain that it could not but regard the events of the past few days as a complete repudiation of the Munich agreement, and a denial of the spirit in which the negotiators of it bound themselves to co-operate for a peaceful settlement.

Sir Neville Henderson was also instructed to say that Britain must take the decision to protest against the changes effected in Czecho-Slovakia.—*(Continued on Page 4.)*

U.S. DENUNCIATION OF NAZI INVADERS

WASHINGTON, MAR. 20. THE STATE DEPARTMENT HAS SENT A NOTE TO THE GERMAN EMBASSY, REFUSING TO RECOGNISE THE LEGALITY OF THE OCCUPATION OF CZECHO-SLOVAKIA.—*REUTER.*

The United States is prepared for a formal denunciation of the German seizure of Czecho-Slovakia.

It has been learnt from authoritative sources that within a few months the United States will be represented in Japan, Italy and Germany only by Charge D'Affaires;

The Ambassadors to those nations will be in Washington, either on leave or in response to summons for "report and consultation."

The Assistant Secretary of State, Mr. Sumner Welles, co-operating with President Roosevelt, worked over the week-end on the final draft of a note to Germany which is expected to reiterate Mr. Welles' statement that Germany's absorption of Czecho-Slovakia was "wantonly lawless."

REPEAL OF NEUTRALITY

Senator Pittman, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Affairs Committee, will to-day introduce a Bill to repeal the present Neutrality Law and give the President broad powers to retaliate economically against aggressors.

Congress is expected to immediately study the uncompleted phases of the defence programme. The Senate to-day may act on the conference report on the \$350,000,000 Air Corps Expansion Bill.

The probable presence here, at the same time in the spring, of Ambassadors Hugh R. Wilson, William Phillips and Joseph Grew, envoys respectively to Berlin, Rome and Tokyo, is considered significant in view of the events abroad.

The resumption of full dress diplomatic relations with Soviet Russia has been signalled by the appointment of Mr. Lawrence Steinhardt as Ambassador to Moscow. Ambassador Wilson has been here since November, Ambassador Phillips is coming on leave later in the Spring while Ambassador Grew has informed the State Department he is returning soon.

WIDER POWERS

Senator Pittman in a radio broadcast last night indicated he might seek to obtain even greater "emergency powers" than President Roosevelt asked for when he appealed for the revision of the Neutrality Law.

Senator Pittman said while the Bill he is introducing to-day merely permits the United States to sell munitions on a "cash and carry" basis to any belligerent, he will not commit himself "not to offer further legislation, increasing the President's emergency powers."

He added that the United States is interested in seeing there is maintained in Europe a substantial balance of power, because if any one group obtains absolute power over Europe and Asia, then we are faced with the defence of the Monroe doctrine in Latin America.

President Roosevelt to-day will discuss with Congressional leaders the foreign policy in the present world crisis, including the virtually prohibitive penalty duties on German goods.—*United Press.*

Japanese Drug Evil In North Weihaiwei Sudden With Opium

LONDON, Mar. 20. Sir John Huxley asked in the House of Commons to-day whether the Premier was aware that during the whole of the British lease of Weihaiwei, the port and the surrounding district was entirely free from the opium evil, and continued to be so until the Japanese occupation, and that since the Japanese took over the port, many opium dens had opened; and whether he was drawing the attention of the Japanese Government to the grave consequences of permitting opium dens to exist and increase in the Chinese territories in their occupation?

Mr. R. A. Butler replied: "Yes, the question is at present under consideration."—*Reuter.*

Mr. W. R. Scott has been appointed Deputy Commissioner of Police.



TO-DAY'S NEWS MAP

is a representation of a new Entente, composed of Poland, Rumania, and Jugoslavia, which is believed to be the aim of Rumania's Foreign Minister Gafencu. He is expected to put forward his idea during a visit he will make to Warsaw next month.

Polish-Rumanian relations, strained during the September crisis, are cordial again. The resignation of Stoyadinovich, the Yugoslav Premier, who sympathised with Rome and Berlin, may also make M. Gafencu's plan more feasible now.

DEMOCRAT FRONT IN EUROPE

Soviet May Join Defence Alignment

LONDON, Mar. 20. BRITAIN and Russia have forgotten their two decades of mutual suspicion in the European rally against Hitler.

Britain has offered commercial aid to Rumania to withstand the threat of Nazi domination.

Reliable sources state that Russia has proposed a Nine-Power conference of European nations to consolidate the "anti-Hitler" campaign.

Boostered by the stern attitude of the United States, Mr. Chamberlain has taken the lead in negotiating a United Front including Russia, France, Poland, Rumania and the Balkans.

In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Oliver Stanley, President of the Board of Trade, announced that a commercial mission is being sent to Rumania.

Mr. Chamberlain asserted in the House that the Government takes a serious view of the events of last week.

IMMEDIATE TALKS

Moscow, Mar. 20. It is understood on reliable authority that the Soviet favours the Anglo-French suggestion of a joint discussion of the situation, and proposes an immediate conference of Britain, France, the Soviet, Rumania, Poland, and Turkey.—*Reuter.*

CANADA WOULD RALLY

Ottawa, Mar. 20. Speaking in the Canadian House of Commons to-day, Mr. Mackenzie King declared that if there were prospects of an aggressor attacking Britain there would be no doubt as to the Canadian peoples' decision.

They would regard it as an act of aggression menacing the freedom of all parts of the British Commonwealth.

SOVIET AID SOUGHT

LONDON, Mar. 20. The British Cabinet to-day decided on an intensive effort to bring the Soviets into a firmly united anti-Hitler front.—*United Press.*

Severe Quake Rocks Japan

TOKYO, Mar. 20. A SEVERE EARTHQUAKE rocked a wide area of Japan including the central part of the main island, Kyushu and Shikoku at 12:23 o'clock this afternoon.

The strongest shock was felt in Miyazaki, Oita and Mumamoto Prefectures in Kyushu. At the city of Miyazaki chimneys toppled down, electric wires were snapped and window-panes were shattered.

According to an announcement by the Central Meteorological Observatory, the epicentre was located in the Uga Sea between Shikoku and Kyushu.—*Doine.*

RUMANIAN BARTER PACT

Trade Negotiations With Germany

BUCHAREST, Mar. 20. Rumania has stood firmly in the vitally important trade negotiations with Germany.

This is the chief deduction to be made from a statement in official circles that an agreement with the German delegation is expected this week.

It is expected that it will be the completion of the existing trade pact concluded last November.

Under the new agreement, it is stated, there will be an additional direct exchange of goods. This arises from the fact that Germany is unable to pay in currency.

The "direct exchanges" are likely to be that chiefly Germany will take more oil from Rumania, either from the new wells which she will exploit—herself—or—from existing sources.

Well-informed circles maintain the attitude that the negotiations have been solely for the welcome purpose of extending trade between two friendly countries.

Relations with Hungary, it is stressed, continue to be friendly, and orders have been given to troops on the frontiers to avoid all possibility of an incident.—*Reuter.*

REICH-RUMANIAN PACT

Bucharest, Mar. 20. It is learned that a limited trade agreement between Rumania and Germany will almost certainly be signed on Wednesday.

The agreement will be principally in the nature of a protocol extending the existing agreement.

It is stated that oil as granted to Germany will only be of small quantity, having little relation to what was originally demanded.—*Reuter.*

LATEST

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M.P. DEMANDS BAN ON "LOVE" GAME

"Cross Insult" to Archbishop

BECAUSE he regards it as a "gross insult" to the Archbishop of Canterbury, an M.P. is to demand a ban on an American card game called "Love."

He is Colonel Harry Day and he is to ask a question about the game—which also mentions the Duke and Duchess of Windsor.

Territorial Army Inquiry

AN immediate increase of the total income drawn by Territorial Army Associations by about £195,000 a year has been sanctioned by the Government on the recommendation of the Strathcona Committee on Territorial Army Finance and Organization. The gross additional income which the associations will receive this year, compared with 1937, is £300,000. At least £100,000 of this is a real improvement of income not earmarked for any particular service.

The Committee, the appointment of which was announced in March, 1938, consisted of Captain Lord Strathcona and Mount Royal (chairman); Major-General Sir John Brown; Colonel Lord Cobham; Brigadier-General R. W. Hare; Colonel Sir Robert Johnson (died March 2, 1938); Mr. J. R. Wade; and Mr. L. F. Schoelling (Air Ministry Liaison Officer); with Major J. M. Reddie as secretary. The terms of reference were: "To examine and report on the general administration of the Territorial Army, with special reference to (i) the organization and finance of the country associations; (ii) the reduction of correspondence and the simplification of administration between the War Office and county associations and units; and (iii) the reduction of office work in units and the system of providing clerical assistance." The Government have accepted the Committee's recommendations practically unaltered.

LOCAL COMMITTEES

The Committee's main conclusion is that the administration of the Territorial Army by county associations is basically sound and has stood the test and strain of the War years and the still more difficult post-War period, and that, in view of the civilian character of the Territorial Army, no other system of administration is practicable. They consider, however, that certain reforms in the constitution of associations are desirable. A closer touch with localities than is generally possible under the present system is required, and the Committee recommends the appointment of local committees in all places with a population of 25,000 or over, such local committees to send a representative to association meetings as a full member. The present system of nomination of members by local authorities should cease. Another important recommendation is that the commanding officer of every unit administered by an association should be ex officio a member of the association.

The Committee do not recommend the amalgamation of county associations, since they act as a store by the territorial principle, but they recognize that the present small administrative units are uneconomical and recommend that the practice already adopted by certain counties of joint secretariats should be more widely extended and should go so far as to pool financial resources. It is hoped that the principle of joint secretariats will enable the associations concerned to pay a higher salary than has been possible in the past, thus obtaining a wider field of selection for the post of secretary.

MAIN GRANT RECAST

The examination made by the Committee into the details of administration is set out in a series of appendices dealing with general services, clothing, Territorial Army headquarters, and the division of responsibility between associations and commands for certain arrangements connected with training. The present system of grants for general services is reviewed exhaustively. Hitherto the main grant has been the "establishment grant"—a grant based on so much a head of the establishment of each unit. On the recommendation of the Committee, this grant has now been recast so as to include certain services for which separate grants have hitherto been made. The effect of this recast is an immediate increase of the total income drawn by associations by about £195,000 a year.

The Committee point out that of the increased incomes drawn by associations during the last two years, at least £100,000 may be taken as a real improvement of income not earmarked for any particular service. The additional income has been calculated on the establishment in force on April 1, 1938. Further expansion of the Territorial Army will produce a still further general improvement in the income drawn by associations. The financial position of associations will therefore be very much better than three or four years ago, and the Committee expect that the associations' income will be sufficient to meet all reasonable requirements.

USE OF RESERVES

The Committee point out that apart from the necessity for providing for expenditure that falls on

"SCANDAL," SAYS M.P.
"I feel very strongly, that a lamentable breach of taste has been committed."

"It's scandal the way we continue to permit the ridicule abroad of British notabilities. The time has come for a vigorous protest. I regard it as a gross insult to the Prime Minister."

"I shall ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department to stop the circulation of these offensive cards as far as this country is concerned."

"The Love Game," as it is called, is the invention of a 19-year-old American girl, Dottie Davis.

It is intended to "make everyone love conscious" by introducing in 200 cards all the great lovers of history, such as Antony and Cleopatra, Romeo and Juliet.

"If you're lucky," say the instructions, "you may get the Edward or Wallis card—unless the Archbishop of Canterbury sends you to exile."

Miss Davis, planning to make Britain equally "love-conscious," wrote to the Archbishop of Canterbury for his approval of the game. Instead of the cordial reply she expected, Miss Davis has received a letter from the Archbishop's secretary, stating very coldly that "the Archbishop cannot say anything in commendation of the game to which you refer."

evenly, annual grants are intended to be spent upon the Territorial Army year by year. They recommend that those associations which have accumulated large reserves should consider the possibility of utilizing those reserves on special capital services which will be of permanent benefit to the units administered by them.

The Committee make an important recommendation in the section dealing with Territorial Army headquarters—that when improvements are made in the standard schedule of accommodation they should be applied as a general rule to all existing headquarters, as far as possible, without waiting, as at present, until a building has to be completely replaced or largely reconstructed.

On the question of the division of responsibility between associations and commands for certain training arrangements, the Committee recommend that commands should be responsible for all arrangements connected with training. The Territorial Army training grant should be increased sufficiently to make this possible, grants to associations being proportionately diminished. The machinery set up by associations should continue, wherever possible, to be used, but associations will act merely as agents of the General Officer Commanding-in-Chief and will no longer have the responsibility of restricting a unit's out-of-camp training in accordance with a money limit.

SIMPLIFYING PROCEDURE

The responsibility for making arrangements for travelling to camp will still remain with associations, as will the profits made from the grants for this service. Various modifications in the regulations are suggested with the intention of simplifying procedure. Existing grants made for travelling are regarded by the Committee as being ample for the purpose, and it is not expected that the modifications proposed will have much effect upon the profit accruing from the grants. The profit is considerable (nearly £40,000 in 1937), and now that the grants have been recast and related more closely to expenditure should prove most useful in providing associations with that margin which is welcome in all budgets.

The Committee have taken the line that the volume of clerical work in the offices of units and associations is only reducible so far as it is possible to simplify any regulations which may be complicated and thus throw unnecessary work on the offices. They emphasize the importance of keeping administration on as broad a basis as possible and of eschewing detailed regulations devised to meet every possibility. Their recommendations, it is stated, have all been submitted with this aim in mind. It involves the principle of taking the rough with the smooth, a principle to which all concerned—units, associations, and the War Office—must subscribe.

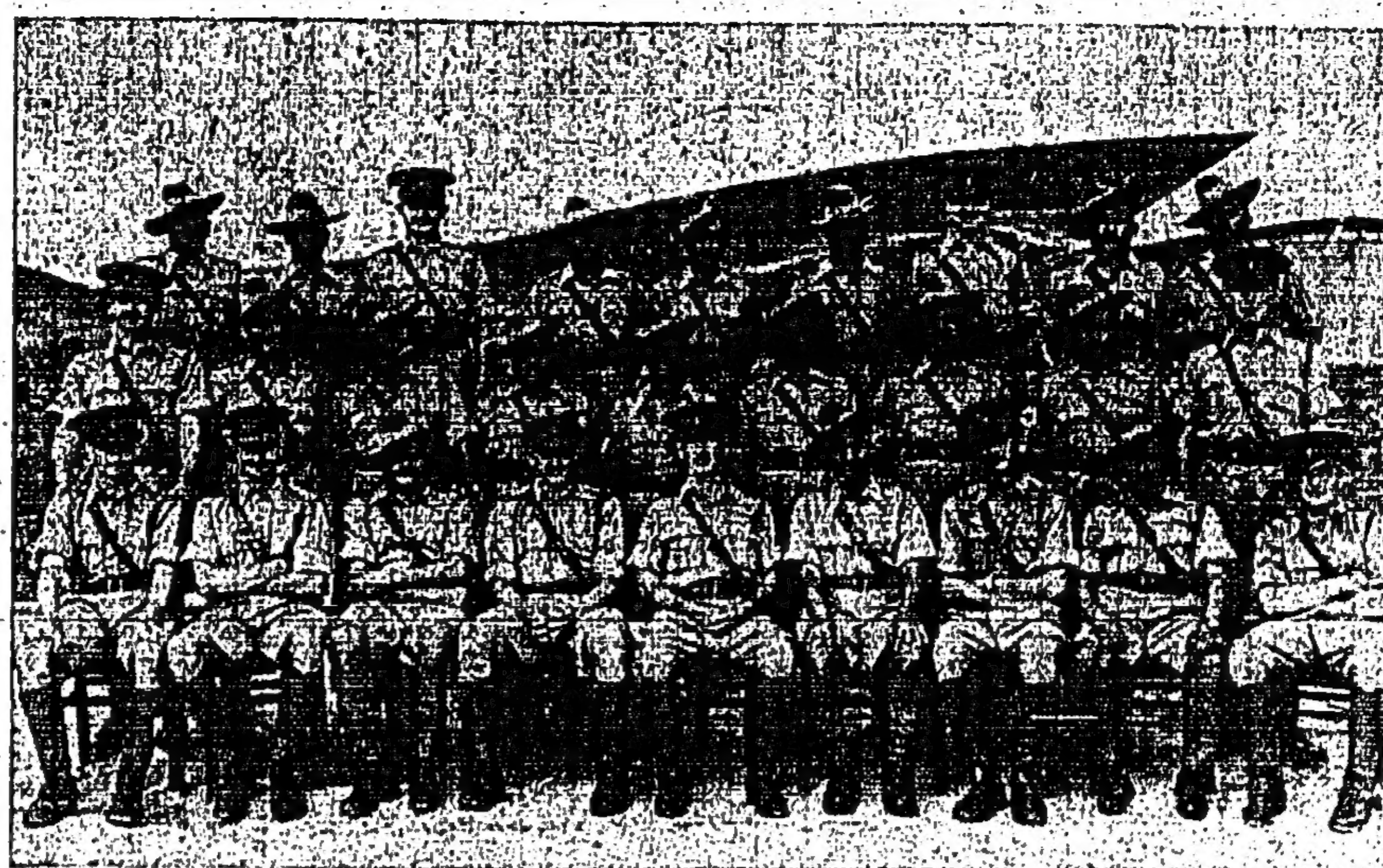
New High Speed Launches For The Royal Navy

A demonstration of some of the latest types of high speed motor launches built by Thornycroft's at their Hampton-on-Thames Yard, for the Royal Navy, was carried out recently on the Thames alongside the Ford Jetty at Dagenham.

These launches are carried on destroyers and the larger warships for use as general fast service tenders, and are typical of the modern equipment being furnished to H.M. ships. The boats, of 25-ft. in length with a beam of 7-ft., are stoutly built of double skin mahogany planking on sawn timbers and intermediate steamed and bent timbers, the hull construction enabling the craft to withstand any amount of strain and hard usage.

Each boat is driven by a Thornycroft marine converted Ford V-8 engine of 65 H.P. and has a speed of about 20 knots. Accommodation is provided for the officers in the forward cabin and in the aft cabin for the crew, comfortable cushioned seats being fitted in each compartment. A hinged hatch at the forward end of the Officer's cabin allows a communication with the helmsman, whose cockpit forward is equipped with a tip-up cushioned seat, and the engine controls and reverse gear are close at hand to the steering wheel.

Remarkable ease of handling and acceleration are features of these craft.



Officers of the 1st Kumaon Rifle photographed recently at San Wal Camp—Ming Yuen.

TITLED WOMEN A.R.P. CHIEFS ATTACKED BY M.P.

Men Don't Matter—Says "Perfect Woman"

ANNETTE Kellerman, swimmer and film star, famed as "the perfect woman," who arrived in England from New York, said that she owes all her success to women. "Whatever work you do you've got to win over the women first," she said. "Men don't matter. Women can make or break you."

BEAUTY HINT

Thirty years have passed since Miss Kellerman first thrilled audiences with her diving exploits, but she is still physically perfect. Even her measurements are the same.

This is her best tip to women who want to make the most of themselves: "The whole grace of women is in the movement of the upper part of the body. Learn to make full use of your arms, head and torso by watching ballet dancers."

London always gives Miss Kellerman a thrill. She remembers how, in the early days of the century when she arrived from Australia with her father as "the Australian mermaid," they stayed in lodgings near King's Cross for 10s. 6d. a week. Now she is rich enough to do what has always been her ambition—give diving and water-ballet exhibitions for the benefit of crippled children.

Perfect Housewife Was Safe Blower

A small, golden-haired woman of 39 whom neighbours in Sighthill, here, regarded as a quiet housewife, was revealed in the Sheriff Court recently as the accomplice of a safe-breaker with a "shocking record."

Mrs. Annie Hassan had for three days sat in the dock clutching the hand of James Nicol Scott, with whom she was charged with blowing a garage safe and stealing a cash-box containing £38.

Mrs. Hassan, a widow, was stated by counsel to have been influenced in the adventure by Scott, whom neighbours thought was her husband.

LENIENCY PLEA

Both were found "guilty," but a majority recommendation by the jury that Mrs. Hassan should be dealt with leniently was accepted by the Sheriff-Principal, who placed her on probation for a year.

Scott, who had six previous convictions, was also found guilty of two other crimes committed while he was out on bail in connection with the safeblowing charge, was sentenced to two years' imprisonment.

Mrs. Hassan broke down when the jury announced their verdict and was led from the court. Later she was granted permission to see Scott for a few minutes.

"SPARE TIME" women—wealthy holders of titles without professional or business experience—are still being put in charge of A.R.P. organisations throughout Britain, despite protests made in the House of Commons and elsewhere.

Countesses and baronesses are not to be found in every provincial town, but "honourables" and wives of knights and baronets are heading the lists of appointments in many areas.

Trained women who play a leading part in local public affairs feel they are not being encouraged.

What is even more important, the vital organisation of women's service in civil defence is being handed over to untrained women.

Dr. Edith Summerskill, M.P. for Fulham, said "When we pointed this out in the House we were told that these were the women who had time to spare—obviously an unsatisfactory explanation."

"Recruits are wanted from Labour women's organisations, but these won't come forward while officers are all appointed from the ranks of society women, many of whom have no training or qualification."

CHARMING GIRLS

"I was asked to encourage recruiting, but I replied that I could not do so until the whole thing was placed on a more democratic basis. Until this is done the movement cannot be successful."

"Women who find two or three Rolls-Royces outside recruiting offices and charming girls in expensive fur coats inside become suspicious. In fact they are more than suspicious, they are killing the movement by ridicule."

A prominent business woman in charge of a non-political women's organisation with several thousand members said: "I have just returned from a tour of the provinces where A.R.P. committees are being appointed."

"I found that the attitude of the authorities is: 'We must have the right class of people at the head of this.' I noticed that most of the women selected were very 'county' and I observed a 'high-class' atmosphere everywhere."

AVAILABLE

"The theory that titled women have a 'following' or a 'pull' over other women in the locality is a quarter of a century out of date. You will never get the mass of business and professional women to offer their precious leisure hours until they feel they will be organised by trained women."

"You cannot train for these key positions in six months. They need women with big administrative experience over a number of years—women who have been in charge of staffs. These women are available, but they have no titles."

It is probable that women's organisations will protest to Sir John Anderson and ask him to receive a deputation.

EMPIRE NEWS

MANY BILLS FOR SOUTH AFRICA

Cape Town. The session of Parliament which opened recently produced an exceptionally large crop of bills for debate. As the two short sessions in 1938 were mainly for financial business, Parliament has not dealt with a normal legislative programme since 1937.

CYPRUS

WARM WELCOME FOR NEW GOVERNOR

Calcutta. The appointment of Mr. W. D. Battershill, Chief Secretary, Palestine, as Governor of Cyprus will be warmly welcomed in the island.

High praise was heard in all quarters for Mr. Battershill's work in Cyprus between 1935 and 1937. The liveliest regrets were expressed at his transference to Palestine.

AIR TROPHY AWARDED BRITISH DESIGNER

Auckland. The Auckland Citizens' Committee has awarded the £250 Musick Memorial Trophy to Mr. Arthur George, chief designer for Short Bros., for his success in the design of the Empire flying boats.

The Musick Memorial Trophy was established in memory of Capt. Edwin Musick, commander of the Pan-American flying boat Samson Clipper which crashed off the Samoan Islands in January last year.

A Prize Word—Tidings—Earl Beatty, speaking at a Navy League reception at Wellington, said: "Our position of weakness in this part of the Empire is something to be regarded with concern by those living here. Great Britain was not going to be knocked out. But if disaster should happen New Zealand would be a prize worth taking. He was not so sure that 'our little crowded island is worth all that.'"

AUSTRALIA

PERMANENT PERMITS FOR REFUGEES

SYDNEY. About 50 European refugee immigrants who have landed in Australia recently on provisional permits will in all probability be given permanent permits to settle here permanently. They will be counted as part of Australia's quota of 15,000 refugees to be admitted as settlers the next three months.

The Minister for the Interior, Mr. McEwen, says that all the refugees to whom permits, temporary or permanent, have been granted at Australia House are of a most desirable type.

There have also been inquiries by capitalists in Germany, Austria and Czechoslovakia, many of them non-Jewish but disliking totalitarian methods of government, who desire to establish businesses here. Several prospective settlers of this type are now visiting Australia as tourists to inquire into their chances on the spot.

Tasman Air Service.—The Minister for Civil Aviation, Mr. Thorby, says that there is little chance of the air service from Sydney to New Zealand over the Tasman sea being inaugurated before September or October.

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When Rich Steal It Is Kleptomania

KLEPTOMANIA was defined by Mr. Chuter Ede, M.P., recently as "a disease which only affects the wealthy classes."

"Why," he asked, "should a very wealthy woman who finds her visit to one of the West End stores an irresistible temptation to theft be provided with treatment which is usually asked for at the expense of the community?"

"This particular disease only apparently affects the wealthy classes and doctors cheerfully come forward and assert that the lady is suffering from it."

Mr. Chuter Ede was speaking at a meeting of a House of Commons Standing Committee which is considering the Government's Criminal Justice Bill.

RICH SHOULD PAY

Several other M.P.s urged that well-to-do offenders should pay for part of their treatment advised by the courts so that the cost did not all fall on the taxpayer.

Mr. Geoffrey Lloyd, Under-Secretary, Home Office, said the Bill provided that the expenses of treatment could be met from public funds and that rich people might be asked to contribute.

It would be wrong to deprive the court of the power to secure a contribution to, or the total expenses of, the treatment of well-to-do persons. Only those who could afford to pay would be asked to do so.

He gave an assurance that the Home Office would consider whether there might be some slightly different placing of the onus for the responsibility for payment.

Britain Buys U.S. A. A. Equipment

New York.

Questioned recently on allegations that American secret anti-aircraft devices had been sold to the British Government, President Roosevelt revealed that there have been sales to Britain—but not of the latest type of apparatus.

He said the Sperry Gyroscope Company here, which manufactures anti-aircraft directors, has lately increased production, from one gun-director a month to one a day.

This, he added, was largely as a result of funds received from the sale to Britain of "anti-aircraft gun-directors of an older type."

He made it clear that these orders assisted the United States to increase facilities for the manufacture of a new type of director for the American Army.

"Don'ts" For Brides

Here are a few "don'ts" to be remembered by those who seek happy marriages, given recently by Mrs. Heine, Normanton, barrister, in a lunch-hour address to business girls at Christ Church, Westminster.

Don't be afraid in the first place to get married.

Don't be afraid to put into marriage all that you can.

Don't ever make your husband feel that he comes second to the children.

And these things, she said, tend to break marriages.

Wide disparities of race and tastes. (Look for a partner in one's own rank in life as far as possible.)

Wide disparity in age.

The modern idea of putting off having children till late in marriage or avoiding them altogether.

The wife persisting in going to work.

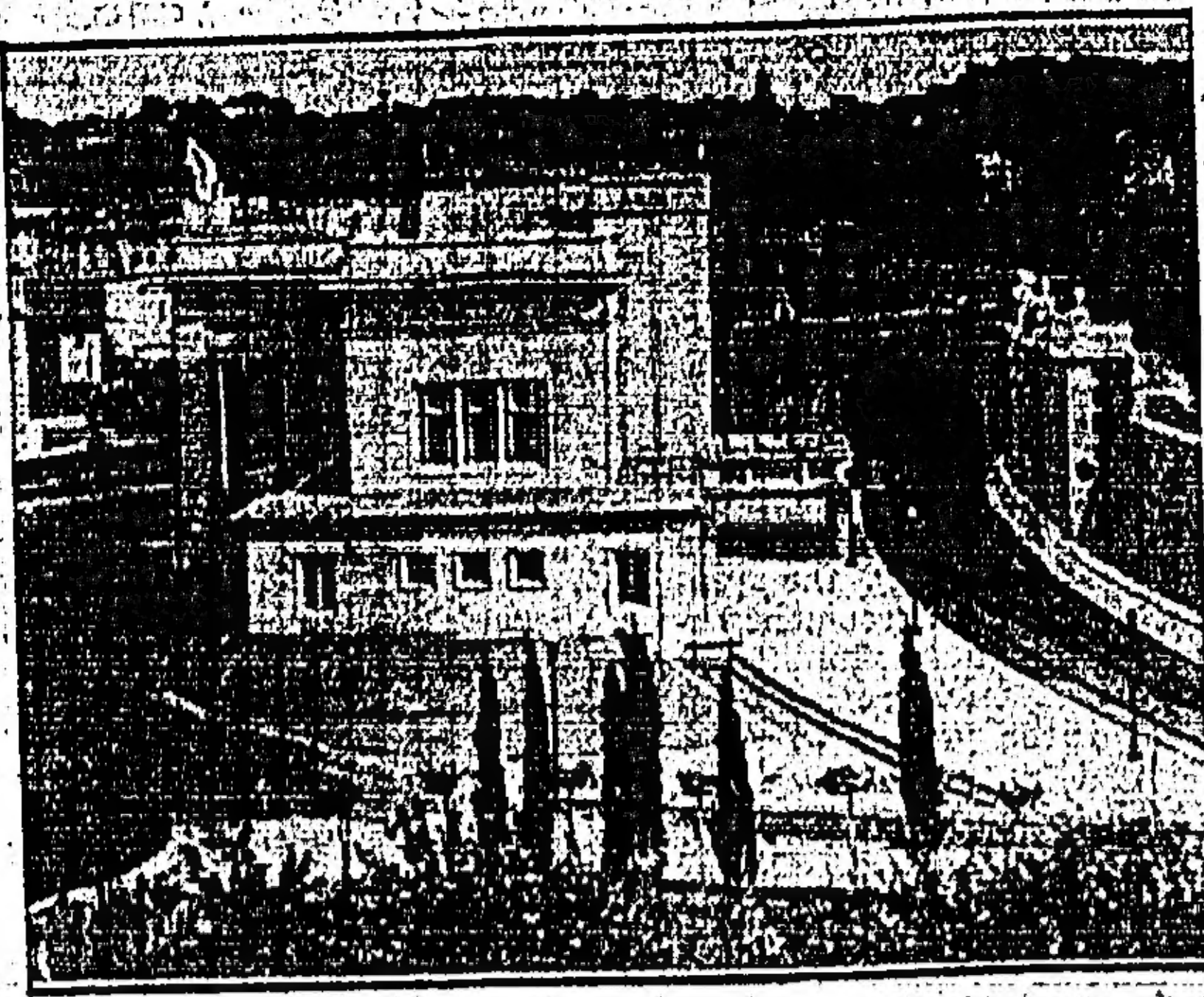
Mrs. Normanton criticised the movement for husbands to pay their wives wages, saying it would lower the status of the woman in marriage.

"Poker Friend" False

REDDING, Cal.

Verne Carleton not only believes that there are such things as "poker faces," but that there are also "poker friends." One of the latter induced him to enter a poker game on the inside tip that a third man in the game had \$30,000 which they could easily win by playing together.

In three hands Carleton lost \$3,500. He told police.



Eye-glasses Illuminated

Leipzig. Ingenious illuminated eye-glasses, enabling the wearer to read or move about in the dark, have been demonstrated at the Leipzig Fair. The lenses are surrounded by tiny electric bulbs which act as a flashlight following the line of vision.

This view shows part of the gardens and some of the buildings in Vatican City, Italy, home of the Pope and world centre of the Roman Catholic church. Here Pope Pius XI died and here his successor was elected. In preparation for the conclave two or three floors were walled off in the Vatican palace, where the Cardinals were locked in until the new head was chosen. Vatican City, in Rome, is more than 13 acres in area.

Hymn Ms. Fetches £76

THE Englishman's favourite hymn, "Abide With Me," set down in the thin, slatted hand of Parson Lyte nearly 100 years ago, was sold at a London book auction recently for £76 to Lady Perry, wife of the chairman of the Ford Motor Company in England.

Lady Perry, fair-haired, wearing a round green hat, hurried outside of her car with the parson's notebook under her arm. Before she drove away she had a word with Mrs. Maxwell Lyte, great-granddaughter of the author of the hymn.

Miss Lyte said that she had not gone there to bid. But she was interested to know where the parson's notebook went to.

Mr. John Edmund Hodgson, the auctioneer, was perched on a rostrum above the "pound"—a U-shaped table for buyers.

A BLUE FUNK

Thin on top, brisk, Mr. Hodgson fingered a little mallet in his left hand. His first auction was in 1897, when he was only twenty-three.

"I was in a blue funk then—terribly nervous," he said. To-day Mr. Hodgson is calm and businesslike. He wears a dark suit and a white collar above a striped shirt. In his right hand he keeps a fountain pen like a sixth finger.

Mr. Hodgson sold lots at the rate of 120 an hour. He took "Abide With Me" in his stride.

He offered the parson's notebook, and said that it contained the full eight verses of "Abide With Me."

Some of the audience nodded gently. A pound or two each nod, Lady Perry had the last word.

Mr. Hodgson tapped his little mallet on the top of his oak desk. There is a dent where he and his father before him have sold 120 lots an hour.

A Hodgson was selling books at that desk when Parson Lyte looked from his window over Brixham Harbour and began to write his hymn.

The 1-2-3 Of Peace

Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, at a dinner of the British Iron and Steel Federation at Grosvenor House, London, recently, said:—

"THERE is an increasing feeling all over the country that the prospects of peace are becoming more secure."

"You feel this growing confidence in the atmosphere. It is influencing the City. It is giving more encouragement to traders."

Sir John said that the feeling was due:—

1. "To the knowledge that Britain is growing stronger every day and that we are prepared to shoulder any and every burden necessary to make us secure."

2. "To the close and warm understanding existing between this country and France."

3. "To our good relations with America."

4. "To the prospects of an early ending of the Spanish war without its having spread beyond the confines of Spain."

5. "And, above all, to the determination with which Mr. Chamberlain has pursued his policy of promoting a better understanding with other States, whatever their form of government may be, and to the coolness and firmness with which he has held to his course during recent months of anxiety."

THE TENSION HAS LIGHTENED

Mr. Oliver Stanley, President of the Board of Trade, said in the House of Commons.

"Certainly in the last few weeks there has been a lightening of tension which has been reflected almost instantaneously in the reports which I get on trade from various centres."

THEY WANT TO BUY IN BRITAIN

Mr. R. S. Hudson, Secretary for Overseas Trade, in a broadcast, said:—

"I have come across several signally which encourage me to believe that the setback business was suffering from most of last year is over."

"Nearly 35 per cent. more buyers have already told us that they are coming to the British Industries Fair this year than last year."

"That shows there is more confidence about in the world. Evidently a large number of people abroad believe we are in for a period of peace."

AND WAGES ARE STILL GOING UP

Wages, after five consecutive years of increases—a record in itself—are still going up.

Last month there was an increase of £22,700 in the weekly full-time wages of 420,000 workers, and a decrease of £23,500 in those of 71,500 workpeople.

Breaks 30 Years' Silence

A VALET in the employ of C. E. Stannard, a Pennsylvania industrialist, has revealed himself as the one-time coachman whose marriage to the Dowager Countess Ravensworth stirred Edwardian society 35 years ago.

The countess died at her Ilave (Sussex) home recently at the age of 93.

Two years after her romantic wedding to her handsome coachman, James Wadsworth—then 28 and 30 years her junior—the couple separated—according to Wadsworth, because of the opposition of his wife's family.

Wadsworth later went to America, and in 1909 the countess received notice of his death. A report appeared in several English newspapers.

The Pennsylvania valet states that the countess wanted to get him a peerage, but he would not accept. He wanted her to keep her title.

"A WIDOW"

A friend of the countess said: "After the report of her husband's death, the countess never referred to him again. All her friends knew her as a widow."

Wadsworth, who is the son of an estate agent, had been coachman to the countess for only four months when they married early one morning at St. George's Church, Hanover-square.

After the ceremony he went back to his duties, and continued to live in the coaching mews without altering his style of living.

Concerning the wedding he once told a friend, "Her ladyship wished it, and I couldn't say no."

The countess was first married in 1872 to Captain Baker-Cresswell, who died in 1886. Six years later she married (as his second wife) the second Earl of Ravensworth, who died in 1903.

She was a granddaughter of the first Lord Denman, the famous Chief Justice of the King's Bench.

Terriers Angry Over 'Prison' Khaki

MEMBERS of the Territorial Army in West Riding want smarter uniforms.

They claim that the khaki used for making their uniforms would be more suitable for Sing-Sing.

Colonel E. W. Pickering, chief of the "Terriers," said: "It is our duty to see that whenever our men appear in public they should look smart and feel proud of what they wear."

"Men ought not to be turned out in the sort of forage caps which are now being issued."

In the Spring Fashion Picture



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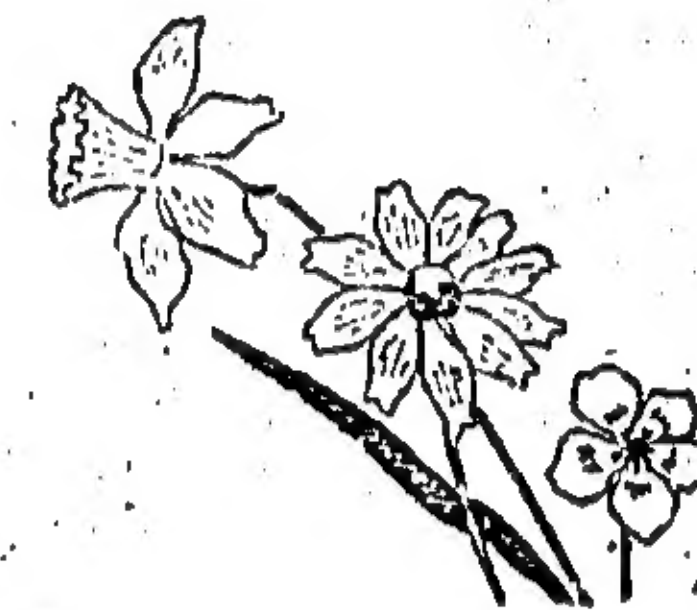
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A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

March 21, 1889.
We read that the new American navy, when completed, will consist of twenty-two vessels, ranging from the armored cruiser Maine, carrying 41 guns, down to a first-class torpedo-boat, carrying four officers and eighteen men. There will be 5786 men on board the twenty-two vessels—officers and 5590 sailors and marines.

Exclusive models are already displaying some very ecclesiastical looking toilets, designed for special wear during the Lenten season.
Among the pretty dress bonnets used for the moment, before the Spring novelties appear, are those of velvet, combined with rich broche effects and colourings. Gilt and silver lace are also alternated with new and pretty effects. The crowns are shirred or tucked, and the brims are covered with an odd in-and-out arrangement of puffs and rich folds of velvet in moss, olive, golden brown, dove or mahogany.

The pretty little gathered sleeves of silk in bishop style, which are arranged inside the half open ones of brocade or velvet, are of a wonderfully wrought with tiny bits of white silk embroidery, or perhaps the cuffs only are so treated.
A charming little house dress, sweet styled, of Perle with an open sweet jacket of old rose velvet, lined with pink. The bishop sleeves, extended beyond the pointed velvet ones, are of sea-green silk, embroidered with a little moss bud and beneath the cut-away jacket is a blouse to match, likewise wrought. An odd little collar turns down at the back, this embroidery also and half covering a second deeper one of green velvet.

Every woman who can possess an ample wardrobe should not neglect to provide herself with a trim tailor-made of Shetland tweed or Irish honeysuckle woven by hand; while those of more limited means will do well to make these strong wear-defying utility fabrics their choice for excellent and less expensive "landy" and, as something of the kind is indispensable as one nears the Spring season, a golden-brown serge is suggested, or one of dark Princess of Wales blue, if proving more becoming.

25 YEARS AGO

March 21, 1914.
The following are the results to date in the Lawn Tennis Tournament, organized by the Hongkong Cricket Club:

Championship Singles
1st Round—A. H. Jones beat C. R. Sutherland, 5, 6. Green beat A. E. W. Salt.

2nd Round—J. B. Penman beat Capt. A. G. White, 4, 6. H. Jones beat S. E. Green.

Singles Handicap "A" Class
1st Round—D. Aubrey beat Capt. Clarke, 6, 4. Montell beat Lt. J. O. Beattie, 6, 4. Penman beat A. R. Linton.

2nd Round—H. Jones beat J. O. Beattie, 6, 4. Green beat Major Crisp, 6, 4. Murphy, S. E. Green beat Major Crisp.

Singles Handicap "B" Class
1st Round—J. R. Wood beat E. Abraham, 6, 4. De Rome beat P. H. M. Collins, 6, 4. Walk-over from P. S. Whitmore.

2nd Round—G. Dagnall beat J. W. Franks, 6, 4. Dagnall beat J. W. Franks, 6, 4. Dagnall beat J. W. Franks, 6, 4.

Doubles Handicap
1st Round—Thelma and Marley beat Salt and Hay. J. Penman and Penman beat Ford and Clarke.

2nd Round—Col. Dyer and Major Palmer beat w.o.t. Murphy and Sandford beat Mass and Sutcliffe.

10 YEARS AGO

March 21, 1929.
Lecturing to the Royal Aeronautical Society, Signor Shacco, inventor of the Helocyclops flying machine, designed for vertical ascent and landing, said that experiments conducted with two machines made for the French Government had shown that with fifty horse power, 1,520 pounds could be raised.

5 YEARS AGO

March 21, 1934.
Having completed a six weeks whirlwind tour of 4,000 miles by rail and 2,000 miles by motor, Prince George is leaving the Union to-night to visit Rhodesia.

Communal service possessing a very real value is being performed by the

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that Vladimir Dmitrievitch Rumianzoff of 130, Austin Rd., Kowloon, Hong Kong, is applying to the Governor for naturalization, and that any person who knows any reason why naturalization should not be granted should send a written and signed statement of the facts to the Colonial Secretary, Hong Kong.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Offices of the Company, 2 Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on Monday, 27th March, 1939, at Noon, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1938.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from 16th to 27th March, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

E. COCK,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1939.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders

The Seventieth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Friday, the 24th March, 1939, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1938.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 10th to the 24th March, 1939, both days inclusive.

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General Managers,

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Hongkong, 3rd March, 1939.

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders

THE FIFTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on THURSDAY, 23rd MARCH, 1939, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 13th March, 1939, to THURSDAY, the 23rd March, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

C. M. MANNERS,

Secretary and Manager.

Hongkong, 4th March, 1939.

WHY PRAGUE CAPITULATED

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ment of our efforts in that direction was frankly out of the question, and that, and many other things had to be, and must remain, indefinitely postponed.

After referring to the recall of the British Ambassador to report, Viscount Halifax said: "I think we can claim that we have left the German Government in no doubt as to the attitude of His Majesty's Government, and although I do not cherish any exaggerated hopes of what may be the effect, it was right that protests should have been registered."

Viscount Halifax then referred to German apologists trying to justify their action by reference to the past history of the Empire, and said that the principle on which the British Empire was conducted is self-government, and wherever we have been, we have left a trail of freedom and self-government.

SUPPRESSION OF LIBERTY

"Our record has nothing in common with the suppression of liberty."

"True, we have always recognised that Germany was more interested in south-eastern Europe than we ourselves, but the position is entirely changed when we are confronted with the arbitrary suppression of an independent sovereign State by armed force, and the violation of the elementary rules of international conduct."

Referring to the Opposition's statement that Mr. Chamberlain's policy at Munich was a personal policy, Viscount Halifax said "If by that is meant that it was a policy to which the Premier has given every ounce of energy, imagination and resolution he possessed, I should not disagree, but if it is suggested that it was a policy pursued without the fullest co-operation of myself, as Foreign Secretary, and of every member of His Majesty's Government, then I must take leave to contradict that with a most emphatic contradiction (loud Ministerial cheers in which members in the House of Commons gallery joined)."

MUNICH PURPOSES

There were two purposes to the Munich settlement. First, to effect a settlement as fair as might be in all the extremely difficult circumstances at the time of the problem, which was a real one, and for which treatment was an urgent necessity if the peace of Europe was to be preserved. I have no doubt whatever that the Government was right in the light of all the information available to take the course it did (Cheers).

SECURITY FOR EUROPE

"The second purpose was to bring more security for the people of Europe on the basis of freely accepted consultations as a means whereby all future differences might be adjusted. That long-term purpose has been, as we can all observe, disastrously belied by events."

"As to the charge of too readily believing Herr Hitler's assurances, neither the Premier nor myself have failed to be acutely conscious of the difference between belief and hope; we have always acted with the knowledge that only with time can hopes be converted into sure beliefs."

"Turning to Herr Hitler's actions, Viscount Halifax said: 'he admitted that Hitler had been true to his own principles—the exclusion of non-Germans from the Reich, etc.—principles which he has now overthrown.'"

"In the inclusion of 8,000,000 Czechs under the German Reich, he surely has not been true to his old philosophy."

NEXT MOVE IN MEMEL

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their motor cars, not essential to their business, at the disposal of the Hlinka Guards.—Reuter.

NO THREATS TO BULGARIA

Sofia, Mar. 20.

Informed quarters here declared to-day that foreign press reports of alleged threats to Bulgaria by Germany were wholly erroneous.

It was added that Bulgaria had no reason for proceeding to a revision of her close political and economic relations with Germany which had been advantageous to both countries.—Trans-Ocean.

NORWEGIAN DENIAL

Oslo, Mar. 20.

The Norwegian Foreign Minister, M. Koht, who returned here to-day from a visit to Paris, where he lectured at the Sorbonne University, categorically denied reports by the French press alleging that Germany 12 days ago had tried to bring pressure to bear on Norway to join Germany politically and economically.

The Foreign Minister declared that neither he personally, nor the Foreign Ministry, had ever heard a single word of such a nature, and he pointed out that such press reports should be read with very great scepticism.—Trans-Ocean.

EFFECT ON NATIONAL DEFENCE PROGRAMME

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by German military action, which they were of the opinion was devoid of any basis of legality.

BOMBING THREATS

The Prime Minister replied affirmatively to an enquiry whether he had seen the press statement that Herr Hitler threatened to bomb Prague unless President Hacha accepted the demands.

The Premier added that the whole situation in connection with the annexation of Czechoslovakia was at present under the review of the British Government.—Reuter.

LANCASHIRE COTTON

Indian Agreement Brings Fillip

LONDON, Mar. 20.
THE LANCASHIRE cotton industry benefits by the provisions of a trade agreement between Britain and India signed to-day, and which remains in force for three years.

In order to compensate for some preferences on British goods which have now been discontinued, India undertakes to reduce duties on British cotton goods in the first year from 20 per cent to 15 per cent, and valorem, with corresponding reductions on printed goods.

Duties in the subsequent years will depend on the volume of exports of such goods to India, and the amount of Indian raw cotton taken by the United Kingdom.

Preferences enjoyed in the British markets by India under the Ottawa agreement (which the new agreement supersedes) are, with a few exceptions, continued.

Each party agrees to extend to the other any tariff preferences accorded now, or in the future, to any dominion or to South Rhodesia. As regards colonial empire, provisions of the Ottawa agreement are generally retained.—Reuter.

TROOPSHIP ARRIVES

The troopship Lancashire arrived in Hongkong this morning with 550 naval details and army personnel.

Mrs. Dobble, wife of the G.O.C. Malaya, was a passenger, she will be a guest of Major General and Mrs. A. E. Grenett at Faircliff House.

Among the passengers are Lieut. Col. F. D. Field, L.C., Lieut. P. J. T. Selwyn, L.C., Lieut. D. C. Russell, R.E., Lieut. J. Riddale (for Japan), Miss M. Sharp, Sister Z. Hiddkiss and Sister E. C. Gibbs of the Q.A.L.M.N.S. (for India via Hongkong), Q.M.S. W. J. Jaff and family, eighteen families of NCO's and Privates and 50 NCO's and Privates.

A few details are going to Shanghai and Tientsin.

The Lancashire leaves for the United Kingdom on March 28.

Sell Guam To Japan Clamour

New York, Mar. 20.

The New York "Daily News", in an editorial to-day, favours selling Guam to Japan as suggested in a February article in the "Japan Times Weekly".

Says the "Daily News": "Instead of tempting Japan into mauling out Guam with bombs before we can build it into something really big and menacing, why not give up the whole idea?"

"The Philippines are our weak point with their neck stuck out in the Pacific where we have no right. Let us concentrate on defending one side of the Pacific. Let us sell Guam if Japan will buy it. Let us sell permanent and complete United States freedom from the Philippines."—United Press.

Unrest Increases In Damascus

Damascus, Mar. 20.

French troops occupied strategic points in Damascus to-day following the decision of the French Government to take over all powers necessary to maintain internal security.

The chief of police resigned and the head of the gendarmerie has been appointed in his place.

Several people were injured in clashes between the police and demonstrators who were returning from the funeral of a man killed in a previous disturbance.—Reuter.

British Mission To Rumania

London, Mar. 20.

Mr. Oliver Stanley announced in the House of Commons to-day that the Government had decided to send a commercial mission to Rumania.—Reuter.

Non-Intervention Pact Fade-Out

London, Mar. 20.

The German Charge d'Affaires Dr. Kordt, has informed Sir Alexander Cadogan that the German Government will not make any further contribution towards the expenses of the Non-Intervention Committee in Spain.—Trans-Ocean.

New Discoveries In Antarctic

Cape Town, Mar. 20.

The British research ship, Discovery II has discovered new land in the Antarctic.—Reuter.

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FRANCIS I. du PONT & COMPANY REPORT BY CABLE:

STOCKS:

The Swiss Franc to-day touched a new low level for the current year.
The Chairman of the Security & Exchange Commission, Mr. Douglas, has been nominated a member of the United States Supreme Court.

Baldwin Locomotive Works' February orders amounted to \$14,000,000, against \$2,000,000 in the corresponding month of last year.

General Motors Corporation, quarter ended December 31st., \$1.44 per share, against \$0.92 for the corresponding quarter of 1938.

National Biscuits' first-quarter earnings are estimated at \$0.40 per share.

German orders have been refused at Lancashire. Senator George has introduced a resolution prohibiting the sale of American cotton abroad below production cost.

The Tin and Rubber Committees are reported to be planning to hold meetings in New York in June for the purpose of closer contact with American consumers.

The market is vulnerable on any clearing of the European political atmosphere.

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12.00-12.20 p.m. Relays of Services of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Tiana Lemnis. (Soprano). The Marriage of Figaro—"Vanished are Ye."

12.34 Mozart—Concerto in E Flat Major.

Arthur and Karl Schnabel with the London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Adrian Boult.

1.00 Time and Weather.

1.03 Aldershot Command Searchlight Tattoo 1939.

Massed Bands of the Aldershot Command.

1.15 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather and Announcements.

1.30 Dance Music.

Fox Tots. A Fine Romance; The Way You Look To-night... Ambrose and His Orchestra; You... Maurice Winnick and His Orchestra.

1.40 Relay of Rotary Speech from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

Professor L. Foster—"American Impressions."

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 p.m. Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

(a) There's a Far away look in your eye; (b) When the Heather is in Bloom; (c) Star Dust; (d) Swing Low Sweet Chariot. Record. Some of These Days; After You've Gone... Coleman Hawkins Saxophone Tenor.

(a) Believe Me; (b) Liza; (c) It's Wonderful; (d) Caravan; Records. May White Blues; Gerry Building... Gerry Moore (Piano); Popular Selection. Intro—After the Ball Swane, Forget Me Not, Daisy.... Cor Steyn (Organ).

11.40 Close Down.

"The Bank of England," by the Right Hon. Montagu Collet Norman, Governor of the Bank of England.

10.20 London Relay—Mass Hall. Including Murray and Mooney, Ted Ray, and the B.B.C. Variety Orchestra.

11.20 London Relay—State Visit of the President of the French Republic.

A description of the arrival at Victoria Station of Mon. et Mme. Lebrun, broadcast from Victoria Station, London.

11.40 Close Down.

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INFLUENCED BY the example of his class-mate, Dr. Parker, Andrew went to London and opened an office in a cheap neighbourhood in Paddington.

Patients seldom came and it soon became a problem to raise the money to pay their bill at a nearby delicatessen run by a Mr. Schmidt and his wife.

They were quiet and friendly and soon came to take a special interest in the struggling new doctor and his attractive young wife, even sending them an occasional patient to have a boil lanced, an ingrowing toenail treated or ears pierced for ear-rings. And the Schmidts were always willing to wait for payment of their bill.

Andrew grew discouraged at the few patients and the meagreness of his income. "Be patient, darling," counselled Christine. "Who was it wanted to come here—to be surrounded by humanity—to work for fees instead of a salary and become the best doctor in London?"

AND THEN one day a breathless girl arrived at his door asking him to come with her at once to Laurie's dress shop around the corner.

It proved a momentous visit for Andrew. In the dress shop room of the fashionable shop a young woman was lying on the floor, rigid, convulsed, strange crowing noises issuing from her throat.

The employees were crowded about her. Andrew ordered them from the room, all except a woman addressed as Mrs. Thornton, whom he understood to be the sister of the patient. Picking the woman up in his arms, Andrew placed her in a chair and gave her a resounding smack across one cheek. She stopped making the crowing noises and her rolling eyes steadied themselves into a pained stare at his face.

A slap on the other cheek brought her out of the attack of hysteria and she appealed to her sister to take her home.

"Sorry," said Andrew, "but it was the only way. Let her cry it out. She'll be all right in a few minutes."

"I think you ought to see her home," said Mrs. Thornton with a tiny smile.

Ungraciously, he allowed himself to be persuaded. In the taxi he found the girl, whose name he had learned, was Topsy LeRoy, examining him curiously.

"I gave them something to think about, didn't I?" she smiled. "I simply went wild."

"A very bad case of hysteria," said Andrew. "What brought it on?"

"Oh, just a dress I'd ordered. They'd got it completely wrong, and I was just about sick of it anyway."

MRS. THORNTON was insistent, and Topsy gave him a pleading look, so he went up to their apartment. There Andrew ordered her to bed and suggested that they call their own doctor if anything more was needed.

"But why won't you look after me?" asked Topsy petulantly. "I hate my doctor, always telling me not to drink or smoke."

"I should give you exactly the same advice."

"I mightn't mind it so much from you."

He took his leave, but Mrs. Thornton accompanied him into the hallway.

She studied him a moment, and then asked: "Are you anxious to make a success as a doctor?"

"But, of course," he replied, embarrassed.

"Then take a woman's advice and see a good tailor. And don't give up your line of treatment on any account. I foresee you making it a crashing success."

In the lobby he ran into Freddie Parker, a former mutual acquaintance, and Dr. Parker's surprise at seeing Andrew in London had subsided.

"I don't know—a Miss LeRoy, I believe."

"Miss LeRoy? Why, she's the patient food king's daughter! . . . I say, you're doing all right by yourself. You and your missus must come for dinner with us. How about to-morrow at seven?"

"We'd love to, Freddie."

ANDREW and Christine met a number of doctors at the Parkers—all of them fashionable and successful. Their talk was mainly about patients, sending each other cases, of getting big fees.

Dr. Charles Ivory, who was quite taken with Andrew, gave him a card, suggesting that it would be a pleasure to see a case with him any time.

Andrew was out of sorts when they got home and prepared for bed. He answered Christine's statements about the nice time they had had, with the politeness of resentment.

"Dr. Ivory seems so nice—he fairly bubbles," Christine remarked.

"Ivory? I'd like to see him, or Dr. Freedman or Freddie tackle a tracheotomy in a black kitchen in Cefan Row—or amputate an arm in a mine with the roof falling down!"

"Indeed they wouldn't get far, Andrew."

"You seemed to like their talk. You've always had time to read and to go into the subjects they talked about—when it was anything but making money out of medicine. You've got to have them I suppose to help you endure living with me!"

"Andrew, how can you?" she turned a piteous face to him.

"It's true, isn't it? You're sick of me."

"You know I'm not sick of you. I love you, and I'll never love anyone else."

A few faintly snarled as he shook his pajamas in her face. "I'll show you I'm through with being treated like a poor relation, started at because

of my old clothes! I'll show those smooth doctors a few things!"

FROM THAT time on a great change came over the idealistic youth that Andrew Manson had been. He followed Mrs. Thornton's advice and patronized a fashionable tailor.

He sent cases to Freddie Parker, to Dr. Ivory and the other doctors to whom Freddie had introduced him.

He accepted his cut in the big fees they exacted; money came in fast enough so that he soon leased a new office in fashionable Harley Street.

Topsy LeRoy helped him choose the decorations and the hangings, for he was now her regular doctor.

Her father, the patent food king, was grateful to Andrew for what he had done for his daughter; he was the first doctor whose advice she had ever heeded.

Mrs. Thornton called him to attend her daughter for a bad knock on her foot sustained in playing hockey. Unhesitatingly, he advised that the girl be sent to Dr. Ivory.

Dr. Ivory and Freddie Parker put him up for their golf club, and later proposed him for the Society Club where he would meet many wealthy, prospective patients. His fees, they said, would soon far exceed the club dues.

It was one day while Topsy was at his new office about the bank-lens that she invited him to have dinner with her, without mentioning Christine. He refused but she left with an understood promise that he would call her up later.

HARDLY HAD she gone when the nurse announced that a Mr. Richard Stillman was there to see him. Andrew became excited:

"Stillman! The American lung specialist!"

"American quack, I notice the medical journals call him," said the nurse.

"Nonsense! He's developed the most successful T. B. clinic in the world. Show him in at once. The patients can wait."

Stillman was a forceful, alive man who said he had been promising himself for a long time the pleasure of calling upon the author of "Dust Inhalation In Silicosis" and its effects on the lungs.

"Oh, I say! That is nice of you!" he hardly expected to find you in Harley Street. It's too bad that one who showed such original promise in that work couldn't go on with it."

"Yes, I suppose so," said Andrew, feeling a little guilty, "but doctors must live, you know. What brings you to England?"

"Your Sir Herbert Cranston has built me a small clinic in the country outside London. We cured him of asthma at our place in Oregon, so he seems to think England can use our methods."

"That's splendid. But watch out for the Medical Council. How does it happen you've never taken a medical degree?"

"I intended to be a lawyer, but T. B. fascinated me. I drifted into my present work. A degree seemed unnecessary."

"I see. What are you concentrating on here?"

"A new method of collapsing the lung. I thought it would interest you. It's a great advance over the Emile-Well system."

The nurse interrupted to say that Lady Farman was still waiting and that Dr. Parker had called. Stillman went.

"I see you are very busy. I'd better be off, but I'd like a real talk with you sometime."

"I'm awfully sorry. I'm always swamped during consultation hours."

"Come out and see our place sometime. I'll show you our apparatus."

FREDDIE PARKER came in as Stillman left, greatly elated over completing the deal for the Sherrington Nursing Home in London, in which Andrew was interested along with Freddie, Dr. Ivory and others.

He wanted Andrew to go with him on a first official visit to the Home. Andrew gave instructions to the nurse about the waiting patients and left. He found the other doctors interested in the Home very much excited about it. Their talk again was about their patients, how long they could keep them in the Home and what whopping fees they could get to split.

That night Andrew had dinner with Topsy LeRoy and a group of her friends at the Embassy Club.

The papers on the following day carried portraits of Topsy and a list of her guests.

Christine, smartly dressed, in the modernistic sitting room of their fashionable apartment, glancing at the news saw Topsy's picture and the name of Andrew as one of the guests.

She sat for a moment, stunned, and tears came into her eyes.

After a time she got up and walked purposely into the hall and picked up the telephone but before she could call the number she had in mind she heard a key turning in the door lock.

She turned to face Andrew as he entered.

He called a nonchalant hello, and Christine, as though suddenly making up her mind, indicated the telephone.

"Miss LeRoy just called."

"Really? What did she want?"

"To talk to you."

Andrew was very casual. "Wondered about her treatment, I suspect. Oh, her father offered me a job to-day as consultant for Crema products."

"Why, only last week you said Crema was worthless!"

"It's as good a way of taking skinned milk as any," shrugged Andrew, taking her arm and leading her to the window. "I have a surprise for you. See that car? Smart, isn't it?"

"Ours?" cried Christine excitedly. At his nod she said, "It's lovely."

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THE DOOR BELL rang as Christine was putting on her hat. Andrew opened the door to find Philip Denny confronting him.

"Denny!" he cried, and they fell into each other's arms. "Come in! Come in! Where have you been?"

"Doing sixteen operations a day in the lungs of Leeds. Why, Christine, you are prettier than ever!"

He grabbed her by the arms and looked at her, and then about the apartment. "This is a very grand place. This well-dressed gentleman is Dr. Manson isn't it?"

"The prosperous Dr. Manson," said Andrew. "And he prescribes a drink."

"Sorry, I'm a regular lime-juicer. Surgery and alcohol don't mix. I came for a talk with you—a proposition."

"It can wait. See that new Vitess down there? We're just going to try it. Come along."

"A new Vitess? You don't sound like the bloke who helped me, blow up that sewer."

ANDREW and Christine took their old friend to the Schmidts' delicatessen for "the best bortsch and chicken paprika in all England."

Andrew ordered a table.

"We'll fix our own bords d'oeuvres," he went about the shop, peering into boxes, barrels and jars, helping himself.

"Ah, Mrs. Schmidt, these pickles taste just the same as ever."

"Ah, Doctor, we are so proud of your success. Mr. Schmidt talks about it so often. We knew you'd get ahead."

"Where is Mr. Schmidt?"

"In Victoria Hospital—in a ward. Some trouble with his chest. We couldn't afford a nursing home."

"Victoria's a good place. Who's looking after him?"

"He's a good man."

"Of course, when my husband got sick we . . . we didn't like to come to you, knowing how busy you are, but if you could . . ."

"Look!" exclaimed Andrew. "My favourite lapaucer! Remember?"

"Ach, yes, of course I remember," said Mrs. Schmidt softly, gazing at Andrew with tears in her eyes.

Andrew grinned. "How are you going to cure all these wrongs?"

"By stirring a clinic," said Denny in a rush of eager words. "A genuine team of doctors. I'll handle surgery. I have a bacteriologist, an eye, ear and nose specialist and internal medicine man, all lined up and crazy to get started."

Andrew cocked an eye. "And where's the money coming from?"

"We start out with groups of people, charge them a monthly fee—enough for us to live on."

"Oh, you'll never make that work."

"It's working in Los Angeles right now."

"The Medical Council will fight it."

"Of course it will! The other doctors will try to lynch us. But we'll lick them. That's why I want to start it here, in London, where the fight will be hardest. We'll get a hospital of our own—a small one at first, but for once the patient will come before the doctor."

"Well, I hope you put it over," said Andrew, disinterestedly.

"But I need you, too, Andrew, for chest work. That's why I've come."

"But look, Denny, I've got a grand practice. I can't just throw it away. We've had too hard a time."

Denny was deeply hurt, but still pleaded: "Won't you reconsider?"

"But how can I? Ah, here comes Mrs. Schmidt with the bortsch and chicken paprika."

DENNY HAD very little to say during the rest of the time they were together, and soon made an excuse to get away.

Andrew took Christine for a ride in the Vitess to Hampstead Heath the following afternoon. They got out of the car and sat on a grassy knoll in silence.

"I'm sorry you had dinner with Miss LeRoy. I read about the dinner in the papers."

"Oh, well, I thought you might be hurt that she hadn't asked you."

"Where you hurt that she didn't ask?"

Andrew was plainly irritated. "Look here, Chris, it was purely business with me—a chance to meet people. So let's drop it."

"Yesterday Denny said you used to look on medicine as an attack on the unknown. I still attack to take some citizen you couldn't see."

"Denny has nothing to lose in his fantastic scheme. I have a practice to think of. One that makes us rich."

"When we had scarcely any money we were happy. I don't want to put out being the Andrew Manson I married. Oh, Andrew, don't you see I don't go on selling yourself!"

"Stop being a neurotic fool!" cried Andrew, furious. "Can't you try to be a help to me, instead of a hindrance, nagging me every minute?"

"I haven't nagged you," said Christine gently, deeply hurt. "I've wanted to speak before, but I haven't."

"Then don't do it now!" You act like a woman, a kind of dirty crook. If I want money, it's only a means to an end. I've had enough of being a have-not! Don't ever mention this nonsense to me again! Come on, let's go home."

As they got out of the lift on their floor they found Philip Denny, quite drunk, waiting outside their door.

"Denny! Were you waiting for us?"

Denny looked up dully. "The prosperous Dr. Manson? Ah, yes, I've been waiting to say something to you. I'm sorry, I'm sorry. At last you had hope in your eyes and courage in your heart. I gave you a microscope, not just to make you a gift, but because it stood for the things you believed in. There will always be mean souls in this world. It hurts me deeply that you'll ever know when a friend increases their number. Good-bye."

He turned from them and walked unsteadily to the lift.

SCARCELY were Andrew and Christine inside their apartment when there came to them a sudden burst of excitement in the street, a shrill screaming, followed by auto horns. Christine went to the window.

"There's been an accident. Andrew! It . . . it looks like Denny!"

It was Denny. He had stepped in front of an automobile. Andrew ordered him sent to the Layton Home, and telephoned to Dr. Ivory to go there at once. An operation was performed by Ivory, with Andrew assisting. He watched Ivory working with maddening slowness, tried to hurry him on for Denny's heart-beat was growing fainter and slower.

"I'm afraid . . . he seems to be going," said Dr. Ivory.

Andrew called for a hypo, plunged the needle into Denny's arm, then searched his face for indication of returning life.

"I'm afraid . . . he's gone," said the anaesthetist.

"Very unfortunate," said Dr. Ivory. "Imagine it was shock. Sorry, Manson, these accident cases are always difficult."

"Stop talking!" blazed Andrew in a sudden outburst of anger and bitterness. "You know you killed him. You're not a surgeon. You're the worst butcher I've ever seen."

"I . . . I recommend that line of talk," Manson.

"I . . . I don't! It's the truth. There was nothing difficult about this. But you dabbled along with incompetence, and let him die. You bungled so much it wasn't surgery, it was murder!"

"You hysterical fool! You'll be heard!"

ANDREW turned and left the consulting room in a daze of stunned emotion.

He walked the street, not knowing where he was going.

Ultimately he found himself in front of the Sherrington Nursing Home. He went in and ordered all of his patients discharged at once.

Topsy LeRoy, in expensive negligence, under a sun-lan lamp, he personally discharged with a brutal: "I want you to get out of here. You're perfectly healthy. We only brought you here to get money out of you!"

"An honest doctor!" exclaimed the young woman, thunder-struck. "Andrew! Andrew! Don't go!"

But he was already gone. At the hospital door he met Mrs. Schmidt. Her worried, pleading look told him she had come to him for help.

He asked where Mr. Schmidt was. Learning it was Victoria Hospital he said: "Come with me," and strode out.

He rode roughshod over the head nurse at Victoria Hospital and hurried to Mr. Schmidt's bed in the ward and made a quick examination.

"That lung should have been drained days ago."

If it isn't done he'll die at once. He'll be all right, Mrs. Schmidt, once we get him out of this stinking hole."

"Whatever you say, Doctor," said Mrs. Schmidt in simple faith.

WARNED by the head nurse, Dr. Thoroughgood hurried in, pompous and spluttering in wrath, as Andrew and Mrs. Schmidt were getting her husband ready for removal.

"You have no right to attend this patient without my approval. I'll have you up before the Medical Council, sir!"

"Get-out-of-my-way," said Andrew, who took Mr. Schmidt up in his arms and strode out followed by Mrs. Schmidt.

Andrew took Schmidt to Richard Stillman's Bellevue Hospital just outside London, having telephoned to Stillman. The operating room was ready, and Andrew gave the anaesthetic while Stillman drained and collapsed the patient's lung.

Dr. Thoroughgood made good his threat and a short time later Andrew was cited to appear before the General Medical Council. Thoroughgood and his head nurse stated their case against Andrew without contradiction. Andrew, when asked if he had any witnesses, said he had not, but at that point Stillman, who had just entered with Christine and Mr. Schmidt, said: "Here is a witness for Dr. Manson!"

Schmidt, still weak but on the road to recovery, stated: "I am the patient in this case. In the hospital I was very sick—near dead. Dr. Thoroughgood does nothing. So, my wife gets Dr. Manson, our old friend. He does what is right. And—well, look at me."

"Did you tell Dr. Thoroughgood you wanted another doctor? Went out to be removed from Victoria Hospital?" asked Boon, the prosecuting solicitor.

"No, I am too sick to ask."

Boon presented a strong case for Dr. Thoroughgood, concluding by asking Andrew if he had anything to say.

"I have nothing to say," he replied dully.

Christine whispered earnestly to him, pleading: "But, Andrew, you've not to fight for yourself! For Mr. Stillman and for Denny."

DENNY'S NAME stirred Andrew into action and he was on his feet.

"Technically I am guilty of the charges against me. I did those infamous things to save a human life. The patient was receiving incompetent treatment. He was dying."

"I took him to Mr. Stillman because his work here, and in America has proved that he is one of the best men in the world for this type of case. He's an originator—a thinker."

"You knew he was not a doctor?" asked Boon.

"Louis Pasteur," snapped Andrew. "The greatest figure in scientific medicine, was not a doctor. Nor was Ehrlich—the man who gave medicine the best and most specific remedy in its history. Nor Hahnke, nor Methnikoff."

"You place Richard Stillman beside such men?" scoffed Boon.

"I do. He's done more against tuberculosis than any man living in this country. Those others are great now because they are dead. They knew heartbreak, the ridicule and hatred of this profession."

"Vichow laughed at Koch—abuse men like Spahlinger and Stillman, who may do more for medicine than thousands of men with high degrees."

There are many great doctors practising fairly, but too many go in for useless money-chasing.

"As a whole, the profession is intolerant and smug. We say we'll alter things but we don't, regret them. But I made no mistake with Richard Stillman. Look at this patient. If you want any justification for my infamous conduct, there it is."

AFTER HIS spirited defence, it did not take the Medical Council long to clear Andrew of the charge against him.

Christine, her eyes moist with happiness, showed Andrew a copy of the plans for Stillman's clinic.

"I saw Sir Herbert Cranston this morning, Andrew, and he approved of the plans. And he'll furnish all the money we can't put up. And he likes the name."

"The name?" questioned Andrew.

"Yes, I told him we'd like to call it the Philip Denny Memorial Clinic."

"Andrew looked at his wife, a smile of joy on his face, the light of battle in his eyes, ready again to attack the unknown citadel."

SUICIDE ATTEMPTS Heroin, Opium And The Harbour

Three Chinese attempted to end their lives by taking poison on Sunday, and were removed to hospitals. Chin Hong who took a dose of heroin, was found lying on the floor of his cubicle by other inmates of the first. He was rushed to the Queen Mary Hospital.

After drinking some lyeol Wah Fung-ling, a woman, was taken to the same hospital.

Kam Chin was conveyed to the Kowloon Hospital, suffering from opium poisoning.

JUMPED INTO HARBOUR About 11 p.m. on Saturday, a 53-year-old widow, Mak Lai-fong, jumped into the harbour from the ferry Man Sing, while it was proceeding from Yau-mai to Hongkong.

Her body had not been found, but her handbag was later found on the launch.

MERCANTILE BANK

At the annual general meeting of shareholders of the Mercantile Bank of India Ltd., held recently in London, a final dividend of 6% on the "A," "B" and "C" shares was recommended (making 12% for the year less Income Tax), that £20,000 be written off the house property, £30,000 be added to the Contingency account, and £177,770 carried forward to the 1939 account.

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Another Gateway?

MEMEL is hardly another
Czecho-Slovakia. But de-
velopments there are reminis-
cent of those which followed
National Socialist organisation
both in Austria and in Moravia
and Bohemia: increasing Ger-
man pressure within, tacit sup-
port for that pressure from
without, and increased difficulty
for the governing State—in
this case Lithuania—in main-
taining law and order in the
politically besieged territory.

Yet the position of Memel has
always been less settled than, it
seemed, that of Czecho-Slovakia.
Memel's population is prepon-
derantly German. The territory
was separated from East Prussia
after the Great War and placed
under the Council of Allied Am-
bassadors, but was forcibly
seized by the Lithuanians in
1923. In 1924 Memel was re-
cognised by League of Nations
members as part of Lithuania.

Indeed, a Polish seizure of
Lithuanian territory had earlier
been accepted by the League.
Thus in this part of the Euro-
pean counterpane the patch-
work has not been considered so
firmly fixed as elsewhere. For
some years, indeed, it has
seemed to be only pasted down.
Long after the Lithuanian
seizure of Memel the inhabitants
of that territory displayed un-
rest.

The ascendancy of National
Socialism in Germany has in-
tensified the sense of grievance
among the German people under
Lithuanian rule, as it has among
whatsoever German minorities
used as spearheads for
Hitler's programme of terri-
torial expansion in Europe. The
increasing Nazification of Ger-
man leaders in Memel, coupled
with the declaration on Satur-
day by Dr. Neumann, the local
"Fuehrer," that far-reaching
changes were impending, point
to developments which may
parallel those that took place
earlier last week in Bohemia
and Moravia.

It is noteworthy, if this is the
case, that the German expan-
sionists are looking northward
along the Baltic as well as east-
ward towards the Ukraine.

"He who wants to live must fight"

Third day of "I ASKED HITLER QUESTIONS"

In which questions, asked by an interpreter, are answered from
Hitler's best seller—"MEIN KAMPF" ("My Struggle"). The answers
are taken from an unexpurgated copy of the book—an edition issued
for Storm Troopers. Page references here at the end of paragraphs
refer to this edition.

Q. "What are your views
on the French-Italian
quarrel over Tunis and
Corsica?"

A. "Italy's future will always
be conditioned by a develop-
ment which centres geographi-
cally round the Mediterranean.
Every further strengthen-
ing of France on the Continent
means an impediment for Italy
in the future.

"One should never make the
mistake of thinking that family
ties between peoples can in any
way exclude rivalries." (p. 700.)

Q. "There is much interest
now in your drive in the
Balkans. Do you believe in
peaceful, economic penetration
as a policy?"

A. "The talk of 'peaceful eco-
nomic' conquest of the world
was probably the greatest non-
sense ever made the guiding
principle of a State's policy.

"No people have better pre-
pared its economic conquests
with greater brutality by the
sword and later defended them
without regard for any one, than
England." (p. 158.)

Q. "Why did you choose Italy
as an ally?"

A. "In Europe there exist only
two possible allies for Ger-
many: England and Italy." (p.
705.)

"The destinies of peoples are
forged firmly together only by
the prospect of common success
in the sense of common acqui-
sitions, conquests; in short, of an
extension of both parties' power." (p. 697.)

Q. "What do you think of
your ally, Mussolini?"

A. "The skill of a leading
statesman is shown in the
fact that—for the achievement
of his own needs at certain
periods—he always finds those
partners who must follow the
same path for the protection of
their own interests." (p. 698.)

Q. "What is the purpose of
the Rome-Berlin axis?"

A. "An alliance whose object
does not include the purpose
of making war is senseless and
worthless. One makes alliances
only for conflict.

"The conflict may lie as far
ahead as you like at the time
of concluding the alliance; but
none the less the prospect of a
warlike embroilment is the inner
inducement to it." (p. 749.)

Q. "What do you think of the
Franco-British Entente?"

A. "Germany's alliance would
enable her to carry on un-
disturbed with those prepara-
tions which . . . must be made
for settling accounts with France.
The most important thing about
such an alliance lies in the fact
that the hostile alliance falls to
bits and the Entente, which we
have to thank for so much
calamity, is dissolved and thus
the deadly enemy of our people,
France, falls victim to isolation." (p. 755.)

Q. "You have enlarged the
Berlin-Rome axis into the
Rome-Berlin-Tokyo triangle.
What is your real opinion of
alliances between Europeans and
Orientals?"

A. "One greedily seizes the
yellow hand and embraces
an alliance which, from a racial
point of view, is perhaps ir-
responsible." (p. 722. Context:
Hitler is discussing the Anglo-
Japanese Alliance.)

Q. "What is your opinion on
your allies, the Japanese?"

A. "The basis of actual life is
no longer the special Japa-
nese culture, although that settles
the colour of its life, but the
mighty scientific and technical
work of Europe and America,
Aryan peoples. (p. 318.)

"If all further Aryan influence
on Japan were to cease from to-
day, the advance of Japan in
knowledge and science could con-
tinue for a short time still. But
in a few years the spring would
dry up, the Japanese character-
istics win the upper hand, while
the present culture would be-
come rigid and sink again back
into the sleep from which it was
aroused seven generations ago
by the wave of Aryan culture.
One can describe such a
race as a 'culture-carrier' but
never as a 'culture-creator.'"
(p. 319.)

Q. "You extended the hand of
friendship to Mr. Cham-
berlain and M. Daladier at
Munich. What is your real
opinion of democratic leaders?"

A. "Democracy excludes per-
sonality—and puts in its
place the majority of stupidity,
incapability and cowardice. (p.
347.)

"Granting all the limitations
and spiritual inferiority of these
parliamentary medicine-men of
the white race, they cannot
themselves seriously imagine
they can, following the path of a
Western democracy, fight
against a doctrine (Com-
munism) for which democracy
is a means to an end." (p. 412.)

Q. "But you have made non-
aggression pacts with the
two Western democracies, Bri-
tain and France. What do you
think of democracy, then?"

A. "The democracy of the pre-
sent-day Western world is the
forerunner of Marxism,
which, without democracy,
would hardly be thinkable.
"Democracy first gives to this
world pest the ground for
nourishing itself on which then
this plague can extend itself." (p. 86.)

Q. "As you say you want
peace, I should be interest-
ed to know your definition of a
pacifist."

A. "The pacifist, by complete-
ly surrendering himself to
his idea, subjectively, will al-
ways first seek the objective
right however unjustly and
severely his people is threaten-
ed, and will never join the ranks
of his herd out of pure instinct
of self-preservation and fight
with them." (p. 122.)

Q. "Supposing a better Fuehrer
than you turned up.
Would you give him your job?"

A. "The Fuehrer of the whole
party is elected in a general
meeting of members according
to the rules of the party. He is
the exclusive Fuehrer of the
movement. . . . He carries all re-
sponsibility on his shoulders.

"The members of a movement
are always free to call him to
account before the forum of a
new election, and to deprive him
of his office in so far as he has
conflicted with the principles of
the movement or served its in-
terests badly. In his place then
steps the new man, the one who
can do better, with equal
authority and equal responsi-
bility." (p. 379.)

Q. "Why did you seize Austria
and Czecho-Slovakia?
In order to help the people or
possess the territory?"

A. "German Austria must re-
turn to the great German
motherland, and not for any
economic reasons. No, no. Even
if this uniting were damaging
from an economic point of view,
even so it would have to come
about.

"Common blood belongs to a
common Reich." (p. 1.)

Q. "What is the basis of your
power?"

A. "The first foundation for
building authority is always
popularity. However, an autho-
rity which is based on this foun-
dation alone is still extremely
weak, unsure and variable. . . . In
might, in force, we see the
second foundation of every
authority. . . . If popularity and
force are combined and can last
over a certain time, then an
authority based on still firmer
foundation can arise, the autho-
rity of tradition. When, finally,
popularity, force and tradition
are combined, an authority can
be regarded as unshakable." (p. 379.)

Q. "You educate boys and girls
up to be nothing but mili-
tary machines. What good do
you really think can come of this
for the world?"

A. "The child . . . fortified
by confidence in his own
strength, gripped by the power
of commonly-felt team-spirit,
must win the conviction of the
invincibility of his people. . . .
The National State must conduct
boys' and girls' education from
the same point of view. In the
case of girls, also, chief im-
portance must be given to phys-
ical education, only later to the
improvement of their spiritual
and intellectual values." (p. 460.)

"The National State must
start from the principle that in
the community it is more valu-
able to have a perhaps intel-
lectually less developed, but
physically sound creature with
good, firm character, filled with
decisiveness and will-power,
than a talented weakling.

"A people of learned men, if
these are physically degenerate,
weak-willed and cowardly paci-
fists, will not conquer the skies,
and will not even be able to
secure its existence on this
earth." (p. 452.)

"Education must be modelled
on such a plan that when a child
leaves school he is not a semi-
pacifist, democrat or something,
but a whole German." (p. 474.)

Q. "Do you mean all you wrote
in 'Mein Kampf'?"

A. "If a doctrine is actually
right in its general lines it
is less harmful to stick to one
version of it, even if it should
no longer quite conform to the
reality, than by improving it—
to expose a principle (hitherto
taken as one of the granite bases
of the movement) to general dis-
cussion with its most evil conse-
quences. . . . For how can you
expect to fill people with blind
faith in the rightness of a doc-
trine when by constantly alter-
ing its external structure you
create uncertainty and doubt?" (p. 512.)

"A movement . . . must not
venture to make concessions to
whatever the spirit of the time
is in formulating its programme,
but must for always keep to a
form it has found suitable in all
events until victory has crown-
ed it." (p. 513.)

Q. "Do you think you can
govern Germany for ever
by force?"

A. "In the long run systems of
government are not preser-
ved by the pressure of force,
but by the belief in their good-
ness and their honesty in re-
presenting and furthering the
interests of people." (p. 309.)

Q. "If you are a dictator why
do you bother to keep the
Reichstag, semblance of parlia-
ment?"

A. "Parliaments in themselves
are necessary because in
them a chance to rise slowly is
given to men to whom later re-
sponsible tasks can be entrusted."
(p. 501.)

BUDDHA TO GO BACK

YEARS ago, a British tradesman
wandering in a remote part of Bur-
ma, took from a temple a statue of
the Buddha.

He took it home with him to Eng-
land and for a long time it reposed
on the mantelpiece of his home in
Lancashire.

Now the man has died and his re-
latives are anxious that the image
shall be restored to its rightful place
in the temple.

The Burmese Government has been
informed, and search is being made
for the temple from which the image
was taken.

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"Another feature you might like is the paper-thin walls—and
the folks next door argue all the time!"

OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

"There Will Be No War"

Says German Journalist In Hongkong

"It is the German style of politics and you don't like it. It is a natural economic development. There will be no war."

These were among references to the present European situation and the German development of Czechoslovakia made by Dr. Friedrich Sieburg, eminent German journalist, when he passed through Hongkong yesterday by the Potsdam on his way to Japan.

When Dr. Sieburg was informed of the natural anxiety in the Colony that the turn of events in Europe must inevitably lead to war, he replied: "I am quite sure there will be no war. I am convinced that the great Powers will realize that it is a natural economic development. The field of occupation is a field proper to German interests, and, as we are acting in collaboration with the Southern European people and not against them, I am sure the great Powers will eventually understand that the present trend is a matter of routine."

He added: "It is a big event. Germany is in rapid development, but I cannot see how this development can be considered to be directed against Britain and France. It is the German style of politics and you don't like it. Naturally Germany would have preferred to have had real international collaboration in economic matters, but it was not possible. When his attention was directed to the reports of German demands on Rumania, Dr. Sieburg answered: "I believe a lot of erroneous deductions are being made. I am inclined absolutely to doubt the reports."

First Visit to East

Dr. Sieburg, who has been Paris correspondent of the Frankfurter Zeitung for many years, has written books on many countries, including French Colonial Africa. He is on his first visit to the East and plans to spend three months here—in Japan, Peking, Shanghai, and Hongkong. He will correspond with his paper and, meanwhile, will collect material for a book on the East and the Eastern mind.

He declares himself as principally a champion of better understanding between France and Germany. "Outside politics," he said, "the French and Germans are on very good terms. It is easy for us to understand each other for we are both essentially European peoples. Though the outlook is not always encouraging, I am working all my life for better understanding."

Dr. Sieburg will go through Hongkong again in July by the Conte Blancamano.

Japan And Europe

Reactions To Developments Not Revealed

Tokyo, Mar. 20. It was still premature to make any definite statement as to whether the European situation would have any repercussion in East Asia, a spokesman of the Foreign Office said this morning.

Presuming that the Comintern had established a base of operations in Rumania, a foreign correspondent asked whether Japan, as a signatory to the anti-Comintern Pact, would assist Germany's operations against the Comintern in Rumania, if such operations started.

The spokesman said that it was logical that Japan should co-operate with Germany in anti-Comintern operations. It was doubtful, however, whether the situation would develop as logically as expected.

"Each nation has its own trouble, but something in common may form the basis of common feelings," he added.—Domei.

Poland

Tragic End To Children's Picnic

Warsaw, Mar. 20. Forty-two children lost their lives to-day in a tragic disaster on a lake near Kozienice, Wlohyia. The children, who were making an excursion with their teacher, ran on the thin ice of a lake before the teacher could stop them. Under their weight the ice gave way and all were thrown into the water.

At the risk of his own life, the teacher succeeded in saving three of the children, while 42 others, among them his own daughter, were drowned.

All surrounding villages have been mobilized to recover the bodies, but great difficulties are encountered owing to the depth and size of the lake.—Trans-Ocean.

Japan's Trade

GOOD POSITION REPORTED

Tokyo, Mar. 20. Japan's unfavourable trade balance for the period January 1 to March 19 was above that of last year despite the larger exports.

The Ministry of Finance announces that the total exports during the period amounted to yen 681,712,000, as compared with yen 688,512,000 last year. The value of imports was yen 683,672,000, as compared with yen 574,071,000 last year.

The total external commerce was yen 1,245,384,000, as compared with yen 1,062,583,000.—United Press.

CONSULTS GENRO

The Kokumin Shimbun features a story that the Foreign Minister, Mr. Arita, acting on instructions from the Premier, called on Prince Saionji at his country villa at Shizuoka yesterday morning and submitted a report on important diplomatic issues and requested the Genro's views.

After his return to Tokyo, Mr. Arita immediately reported to the War Minister.

Observers attach usual consultation with the Genro, or elder statesman which is very rare, and it is believed indicates that the Cabinet attaches vital importance to the decision on a certain issue, possibly the fisheries or in connection with strengthening the anti-Comintern pact.—Reuter.

Crown Land Sales

Factory Site Bidding Doubles Upset Price

Four sales of Crown land were held at the P.W.D. offices yesterday, two lots being acquired by factory companies with the object of setting up business on them.

The first to be put up was N.K.I.L. No. 2059, adjoining Fuk Wing Street, Cheung Sha Wan, comprising 7,000 square feet, with an annual rental of \$90 and an upset price of \$4,200. This was knocked down to Mr. Li Chi at \$5,300. The successful bidder was acting for Mr. Li Han, of No. 30, Bonham Strand East.

One of the conditions of sale was that \$10,000 should be spent on rateable improvements within two years.

The second lot to be offered was K.I.L. No. 4124, at the junction of Chatham Road and Kiang Hsi Street, comprising 1,255 square feet and producing an annual Crown rental of \$24. The upset price was \$1,255 and the lot was sold at \$1,555 to Mr. Cheng Kwai-chung of No. 493, Chatham Road. The sum of \$4,000 must be spent in rateable improvements in two years.

The applicant, Lau Tung, for the third lot was unsuccessful in the face of very keen bidding by several parties. The lot was N.K.I.L. No. 2060, comprising 30,400 square feet at Ngau Shi Wan. The Crown rental was \$210 and the upset price \$6,000. The new owner was H. L. Chang who bid \$12,000, acting for the Amy Canning Corporation who intend to start a factory on the site.

A sum of \$15,000 must be spent in rateable improvements on the lot within two years, and substantial retaining walls and a rubble mound bedded in concrete must be built according to P.W.D. specifications.

The applicant, Yau Kiam-fo, of No. 1, Yum Chau Street, Shamshuipo, had no opposition in the fourth and largest lot offered. This was N.K.I.L. No. 2061, located at Tonkin Street between Castle Peak Road and Un Chau Street, Cheung Sha Wan. The lot comprised 20,000 square feet, producing an annual rental of \$270, and commanded an upset price of \$20,000 or which it was sold to the applicant. It is understood that the site will be used for building a factory for the Tai Hang Rubber Company.

The conditions of sale demanded that \$20,000 of rateable improvements be spent within two years.

SALE BY MORTGAGEES
The property known as No. 9, Glenalee, was sold by auction by Messrs. Lamert Bros., at their salesrooms yesterday for \$27,000 over a reserve of \$20,000.

The purchaser was Mr. Leung Ying-kuen, of No. 250, Des Voeux Road Central, Messrs. Woo and Woo, solicitors, acting as solicitors for the mortgagees.

The property is registered at the Land Office as the remaining portion of Section B of Inland Lot No. 140, and comprises an area of 2,089 square feet, producing an annual Crown rental of \$13.10.

A.R.P. ACTIVITIES

The public attending the Happy Valley A. R. P. Class are notified that there will be no lecture at the Jockey Club to-day, but a demonstration will take place at the Gas Chamber, Volunteer Headquarters, from 4.30 p.m. to 5.20 p.m. All attending this course are kindly requested to attend at the time and place stated. Future lectures will be held as usual.

Spelling Bee

HOW many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?

apêche minaret
apophony shagrin
antithesis frusky
English Oxford Dictionary
spelling of these words will be found on page 5.

Hitler Attacked

WASHINGTON, Mar. 20. SENATOR KEY Pittman, Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, in a broadcast speech yesterday bitterly attacked Hitler's Czechoslovakian conquest. He said that while the United States will not send soldiers to fight in Europe or Asia, "this country should use its tremendous financial and economic resources to resist any encroachments of our rights."

The Neutrality Act, if invoked against China and Japan will penalize China. Proposals of an embargo on all commodities to warring nations cannot be enacted because "our people cannot sacrifice substantially all their exports, particularly in time of mounting surpluses, loss of domestic purchasing power, and tragic unemployment. I have never seen the logic of prohibiting the sale of arms, munitions and implements of war to Japan while at the same time shipping to her millions of tons of scrap iron to manufacture implements of death for the slaughter of innocent and helpless children."—United Press.

The European Situation

TALK OF "SANITARY CORDON" ROUND THE REICH

In England a revival of the "sanitary cordon" round the German Empire is foreseen as a result of the diplomatic negotiations which have been taking place in the capitals of the democracies and those nations aligned against the Fascist Powers.

France is believed to be preparing a reply to the German demarche and it is expected that the country will promise Rumania support, but the Foreign Office is waiting full information from Russia first.

Italy is believed to be preparing to ask for a showdown on her territorial claims, either when Mussolini speaks next Sunday or during the Fascist Grand Council meeting.

Rumania Reassured

Bucharest, Mar. 20. Signs of a slight improvement in feeling here are due largely to Mr. Chamberlain's statement in Birmingham that Britain is "not disinterested in what goes on in South-eastern Europe," reinforced by his reported invitation to countries of this region to maintain close contact with the Foreign Office for the present.

Highest circles feel that Rumania, having taken an entirely legal attitude during recent months and weeks, has a moral right to whatever help the Western Powers might choose to afford should a serious situation arise for her.—Reuter.

Need for Unity

Bucharest, Mar. 20. The need for the Balkan people to stand together at the present moment is stressed in an Ankara communiqué on the Bulgaro-Turkish talks.—Reuter.

ITALIAN CLAIMS

Rome, Mar. 20. Signor Mussolini may ask for a showdown in his territorial claims during his speech next Sunday and in the Fascist Grand Council meeting on Tuesday. It is expected that a final decision will then be made.

Public clamour for a showdown is increasing and the man in the street believes that Italy must strike while Britain and France are still reeling.—United Press.

Axis Strengthened

Rome, Mar. 19. The morning papers to-day assert that Germany's occupation of Czechoslovakia has strengthened the Rome-Berlin axis, and accuse the democratic nations of insincerity and hypocrisy.

Signor Gayda in Voce D'Italia says the violent British and French reaction, due to the fact that they had intended to maintain Czechoslovakia "entrenched in the middle of Danubian Europe," cannot be pointed against Germany and Italy.—United Press.

GOERING FOR ITALY

Berlin, Mar. 20. It is understood that Field Marshal Goering will return to Italy tomorrow to resume his interrupted holiday. This indicates there will be no immediate convocation of the Reichstag.

It is thought that Field Marshal Goering will have an early meeting with Signor Mussolini.—Reuter.

Britain's Mood

London, Mar. 20. Statements in the Houses of Commons and Lords this afternoon following another meeting of the Cabinet this morning are eagerly awaited throughout Britain. They are expected to throw some light on the changes in foreign policy believed to be necessitated by events in Europe.

The mood of responsible British opinion is reflected in The Times which says that Europe has been driven back upon stark force, and nothing else counts. "This country has always opposed the policy of encircling Germany, but Germany's own policy, above all her methods, make encirclement a natural, and even an inevitable process," says the paper.

The Daily Telegraph states, "A policy that would be effective is bound to envisage new commitments on this country somewhere. King Carol has drawn the attention of Britain to the fact that we have hitherto made no statement where we propose to draw the line on German encroachment."—Reuter.

Talks with Powers

London, Mar. 20. Reuter understands that immediate communications are taking place between the British Government and the Soviet, Polish, Rumanian, Yugoslav, Turkish and Bulgarian Govern-

ments on the Central European situation. Meantime precautionary measures are being taken in various directions.

A full meeting of the Cabinet which began at 10.30 a.m. ended at 12.15 p.m. It had before it Sir Neville Henderson's report, and the parliamentary statements to be made this afternoon. While the meeting was in progress, the Opposition leaders, Mr. C. R. Attlee, Mr. Arthur Greenwood and Sir Archibald Sinclair, called at No. 10 Downing Street and were acquainted with the latest trend of events.

Before the Cabinet meeting Lord Halifax was received in audience by the King.

The Polish and Rumanian Ambassadors and the German Charge d'Affaires called at the Foreign Office.—Reuter.

British Government Enquiries

London, Mar. 20. The Government is waiting to hear from France, Russia, Poland and the Balkan countries whether they are prepared to follow if Britain takes the lead to halt Germany should she try to extend her domination beyond the frontiers of Czechoslovakia.

It is understood that as a result of yesterday's intense diplomatic activity in London the Cabinet authorized Lord Halifax to engage in consultations with the foregoing countries. Britain is particularly interested to know whether Poland, Yugoslavia, Turkey and Greece, with which Rumania has pacts, will honour their obligations.

It is believed that the fears excited by the over-running of Czechoslovakia may produce an agreement in Eastern Europe which has hitherto been lacking. Upon the attitude of the small countries depends whether Britain will assume the lead for reviving the "sanitary cordon" around Germany.—United Press.

London Prepares

London, Mar. 20. The principal streets in London are being decorated in preparation for the visit of the French President and Madame Lebrun to-morrow.

A full official programme has been arranged for the visitors who will be accompanied by the French Foreign Minister and will remain in London until Friday. President and Madame Lebrun will stay in the Blue Suite at Buckingham Palace, while M. Bonnet will stay at the French Embassy.—Reuter Bulletin.

Appeal for Recruits

London, Mar. 20. Sir Kingsley Wood, Air Minister, during the balloon barrage demonstration at the Kidbrooke R.A.F. centre, appealed for 75,000 men and boy recruits for the air force voluntary reserve auxiliary forces.—United Press.

Co-operation With Moscow

London, Mar. 20. Closer co-operation between Great Britain and Soviet Russia is now taking place as the result of the threat to Rumania, declares Reuter's diplomatic correspondent.

Reports that a suggestion was put forward to M. Ivan Malaky by Lord Halifax yesterday of an alliance, are incorrect, but it appears certain that these statements examined with complete frankness as the facts and implications of the general situation.

There is, however, strong reason to believe that plans are in fact being actively discussed between London and Moscow with a view to making possible the closest collaboration, not only between Britain and Russia, but also with other democracies to put a stop to further aggressive acts.—Reuter Special.

Considering Recognition

London, Mar. 20. Mr. Arthur Henderson (Lab., Glasgow) asked in the House of Commons to-day whether the Government intends to grant de jure recognition to the German Govern-

Japan

NEW NAVY BUILDING STARTED

London, Mar. 20.

There is good reason to believe that the Japanese six-year naval construction programme, although its existence was only admitted in Tokyo in the past few days, was actually begun in 1937, says the Daily Express naval expert.

Despite the jealous secrecy surrounding the programme, the writer believes from information received that it consists of five battleships, eight 10,000-ton cruisers, 10 light cruisers, two aircraft carriers, 32 destroyers and 12 submarines. Two 42,000-ton battleships are already being built, and two more were to have been laid down last year, the whole programme to be completed in 1943, the year in which British naval expansion should make possible the creation of an Imperial British Eastern Fleet.

The writer says that the defence authorities of New Zealand, Australia and Great Britain will meet shortly to co-ordinate defences east of Colombo, of which the British Eastern Fleet must be part. Japan means to be ready for this.

The Daily Express says that a Latin intelligence officer first gave Europe authentic details of the new Japanese 42,000-ton battleship. America succeeded in obtaining more details, and Britain and America promptly produced designs of vessels equalling the Japanese type. The Lion and Temeraire are Great Britain's immediate reply.—Reuter.

ment's annexation and control of territories formerly forming part of Czechoslovakia, namely, Bohemia and Moravia.

The Prime Minister replied that the British Government requires to give consideration, in concert with other Governments, to all the consequences of the German action against Czechoslovakia before a statement can be made.—Reuter.

GERMANY'S FLEET

London, Mar. 20. The possibility hinted at in Berlin political circles that Germany may be compelled to cancel the Anglo-German naval agreement which limits Germany's naval strength to 35 per cent of that of Great Britain, is printed in this morning's press as a news item without comment, except for the News Chronicle, which remarks that serving of such a notice would amount to a German-British naval armistice similar to the Anglo-German naval competition conducted by von Tirpitz in pre-war days.—Trans-Ocean.

AUSTRALIA PROMISES HER FULLEST SUPPORT

Canberra, Mar. 20. England can rely on Australia's fullest support according to an official statement which the Australian Prime Minister, Mr. J. A. Lyons, made last evening in Canberra.—Trans-Ocean.

Emergency Cabinet Meeting

Sydney, Mar. 20. The Prime Minister, Mr. J. A. Lyons, has announced following a long telephone conversation with Mr. Chamberlain, that an emergency Cabinet meeting will be held in Melbourne to-morrow to discuss the European situation.—Reuter.

GIBRALTAR'S DEFENCE

Gibraltar, Mar. 20. Under the heading "Gibraltar Defence Force," an official announcement to-day calls for enlistment of all British subjects in the local anti-aircraft unit.—Reuter.

AFRICAN VIEW

Johannesburg, Mar. 20. The view that would conquest by consent, as also talk for return of colonies to Germany, should be stopped, now is expressed by the Rand Daily Mail.

It is by no means certain that such a step would lead to war, declares the paper. Such a step would be a deliberate German policy for world domination as there would be fear of complications.—Reuter.

Reply to Democrats

Berlin, Mar. 20. While a crowd of 100,000 hailed the Reichstag speech of Herr Hitler in the Chamberlain's plunged straight into urgent discussions on the European situation, which he returned to find as a result of the dismemberment of Czechoslovakia.

In the place of silent acquiescence in the United States, Great Britain, France and Soviet Russia ranged solidly against him and relations between them and the Greater Reich more tense than at any time since the September crisis.

With this open hostility Hitler's policy is apparently to reject completely the democratic nations and Russia's protest; to warn the Western Powers that the new status of Bohemia and Moravia is final and cannot be altered and tell them not to meddle in Central Europe, which is purely and solely a German sphere of influence; and to prepare to accept even in the future, Germany's tremendous tempo.

From the tone of the German Press editorials, particularly of yesterday's Volkischer Beobachter and Essener National Zeitung, it appears that Hitler regards Mr. Chamberlain's Birmingham speech virtually as a denunciation of the Munich Anglo-German "No More War" Pact, and that the Fuehrer is prepared to

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reassess all ideas of placing Anglo-German relations on a friendly basis.

From hints in the Press in many quarters it is believed that Germany may in future denounce the Anglo-German Naval Pact and prepare to enter a naval race with Britain.—United Press.

Formal Denunciation

Washington, Mar. 20. The United States has prepared a formal denunciation of the German seizure of Czechoslovakia, while the administration seeks replacement for the neutrality law and strengthening of the means of dealing with aggressor nations.

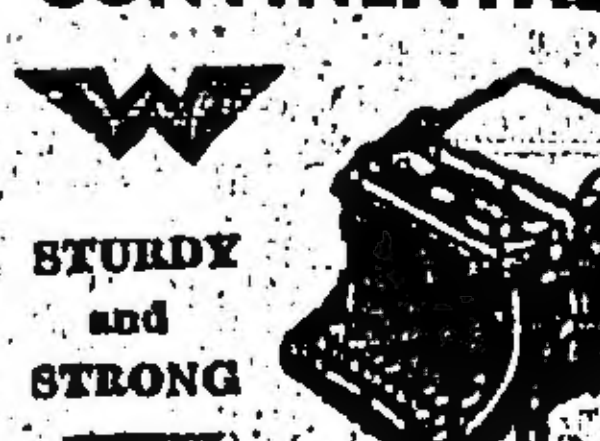
It is authoritatively stated that within a few months the United States will be faced with the defence of the Monroe Doctrine in Latin America.—United Press.

"Wanton Lawlessness"

Washington, Mar. 20. President Roosevelt worked over the week-end on the final draft of the note to Germany which is expected to reiterate Mr. Sumner Welles' statement that Germany's absorption of Czechoslovakia was "wanton lawlessness."

The Senate Foreign Affairs Committee Chairman, Senator Key Pittman, will introduce in the Senate to-day a bill to repeal the present

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FINCHER AND HUNG ELIMINATED FROM THE DOUBLES

MAJOR TENNIS UPSET CAUSED BY PORTUGUESE Losers Play Below Par While Winners Excel

(By "Abe")

If any pair deserve to win their match in the current Colony Tennis Championships, they were A. V. Gosano and J. J. Remedios. They did win finally against W. C. Hung and E. C. Fincher, but made the task very hard for themselves and consequently three sets had to be played before a decision could be reached.

The result may be classified as an upset. However, on the day's play there could not have been any other result. Gosano and Remedios, on the whole, displayed better tennis, and though Fincher and Hung at certain stages were playing well, never for any sustained period did they produce their usual form.

Actually, Gosano and Remedios, after winning the first at 6-3, should have won the second at 6-4. Leading 5-4 and 40-15, they failed to win the necessary point, and again later in the set they lost 8-7 and 40-15, only to be pulled back once again.

As long as they were not within sight of victory, they seemed all right; but once they had got to within one or two points of the set and match, they seemed to be mesmerised. Twice they threw up short lobs for Hung to kill, and on two other occasions when they got to within a point of winning, they lost control and hit out wildly.

VICTORY DESERVED
These instances apart, however, Gosano and Remedios played extremely well. The latter was particularly good, especially at the start when he won many points on his own with his terrific services and wholehearted overhead play. But at times he was very erratic indeed. Gosano was less liable to make mistakes than his partner, but on the other hand he was also less likely to score outright winners, though he meted out just reward to all, or nearly all, lobs which were short.

The losers certainly fell far below expectations. The positioning of the winners was not always what it should have been, but instead of putting the ball through the gaps, Fincher and Hung were consistently finding the net. The greatest credit must be extended to them nevertheless for the great fight they put up in the second set which went to 20 games before they carried it off after saving four match points.

The third set was an anti-climax, the Portuguese pair winning with the loss of only one game. The losers' power of resistance had been spent apparently in snatching the second set, and the third was a walk-over.

Only in parts was good tennis seen, but there were bits of brilliant play. Anyhow, the excitement provided in the second set more than made up for any deficiency.

OTHER MATCHES
Compared to the other matches played in the championships yesterday were dull. I. M. A. Razack and A. R. Minu, of the Indian R.C., had two hard-fought sets against the Chinese R.C. pair, Tsoi Ping-fan and

Results Of Matches Played Yesterday

The following were the results of matches played yesterday:

Open Singles
Peter U. beat Lieut. J. S. Theobald 6-1, 1-6, 6-1.
S. W. Liang beat Wei Chung 6-4, 6-4.

Open Doubles
I. M. A. Razack and A. R. Minu beat Tsoi Ping-fan and Ng Kam-chuen 6-4, 7-5.
Lee Yue-wing and Ho Ka-lau beat Lieut. J. M. Tomlinson and L. J. C. Loch 6-1, 6-1.
A. V. Gosano and J. J. Remedios beat E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung 6-3, 12-14, 6-1.

Wednesday Draw With Chesterfield

London, Mar. 20. In the Second Division of the English Football League, Sheffield Wednesday, playing at home were held to a draw by Chesterfield today. No goals were scored.—Reuter.

Ng Kam-chuen. The steadiness of the Chinese stood them in good stead, but the Indians were obviously the better pair and played far more attractive tennis.

Lee Yue-wing and Ho Ka-lau romped home against Lieut. J. M. Tomlinson and L. J. C. Loch with the loss of only two games.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

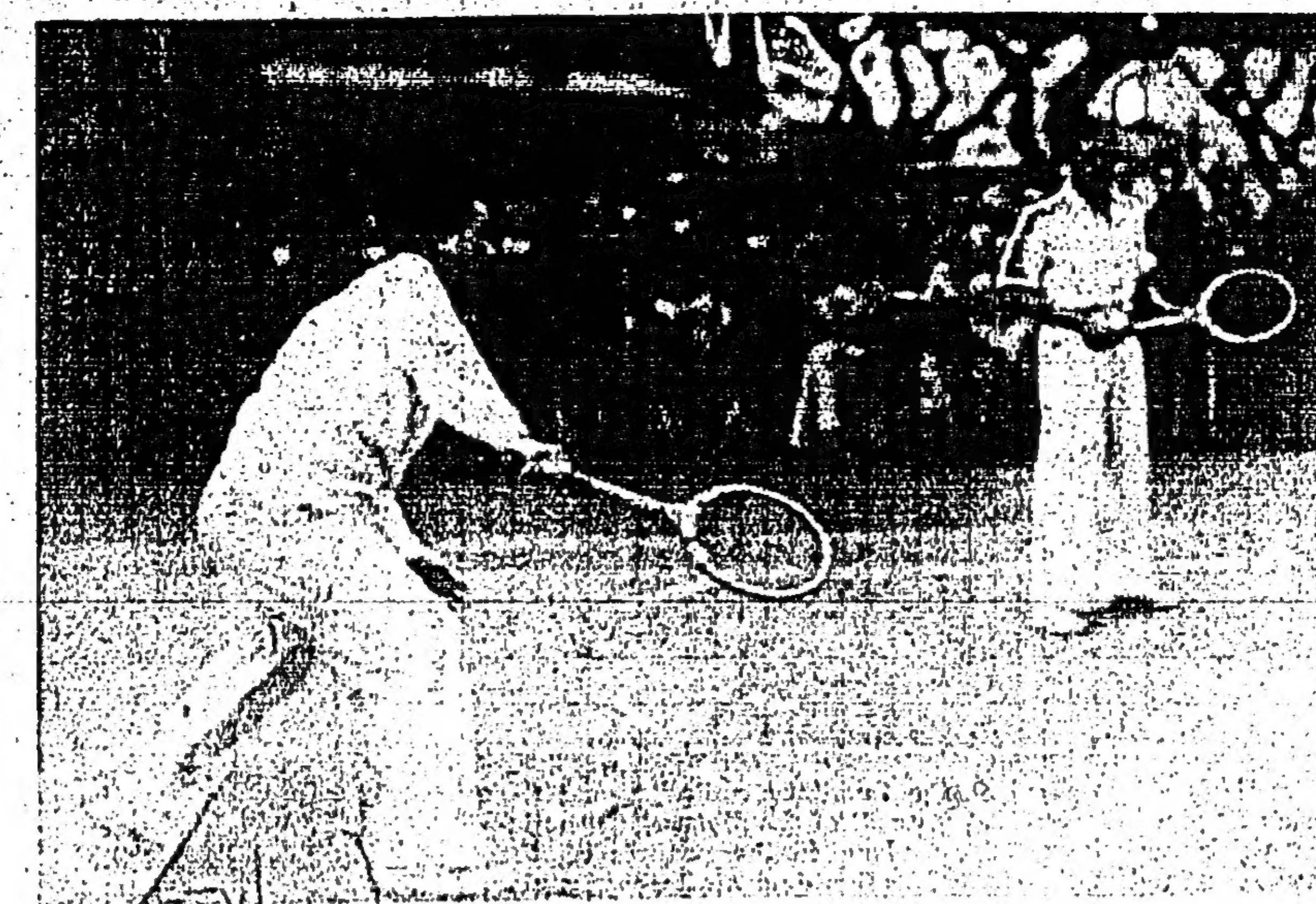
Open Singles.—S. A. Rumjahn v. George Chou; Wong Shiu-wing v. K. W. Ma; F. H. Kwok v. H. D. Rumjahn.

Club Singles.—T. J. Gould v. B. O'M. Deane; T. A. Pearce v. T. C. Monaghan.

Mixed Doubles.—Mr. and Mrs. A. Walkden v. H. J. Scull and Miss G. Scull.

Handicap Doubles.—R. C. Beavan and A. K. Mackenzie v. E. R. Price and T. J. Price.

Handicap Singles.—Capt. R. B. Leckie v. C. M. Stark.



J. J. Remedios (left) and A. V. Gosano caused the first major upset in the current Colony Tennis Championships when they defeated a much-fancied pair in E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung in the first round of the doubles yesterday. Remedios and Gosano won by 6-3, 12-14 and 6-1, but should have won more easily than that.—Staff Photographer.

Irish Sweep Drawing Now In Progress

America Lucky Once More

Dublin, Mar. 20. Lord Powerscourt, opening the Irish Sweepstakes draw to-day, said the setting in a theme of peace was very appropriate, for millions of prayers were being offered for its achievement. It was their right to international peace.

It democracy stood for anything at all, the voice of the people had to be heard. Even in totalitarian states themselves, the important thing was not to be war-minded. War was not inevitable and a host of things might change the present grave situation.

War was but a path of misery for victors and vanquished, and he asked if nothing could be done to pour oil on the troubled waters. He thought trade, amusement and recreation were the best paths along which international goodwill could be sought.

Trade would be best fostered by releasing it from its embargoes and restrictions. Money, like porridge, required stirring, and he suggested the Sweepstakes in distributing their prizes, were helping to do this, and he thought that if the embargoes imposed by European countries were lifted, the Sweepstakes would be able to add to international good feeling and forge another link in the chain of peace.

It was announced that the total receipts were £2,428,547, of which £1,342,100 was available for prizes. Non-runners will receive £250 and 50 each prize will be worth £842 each.

The hospitals have now received nearly £13½ million and over 86,000 people have shared prizes worth £4½ million.—International Press Bureau.

America Gets Lion's Share Once Again

Dublin, Mar. 20. The drawing of horses was completed to-day, a local winner being the last name out and was greeted by warm applause.

The greatest slice of luck went to America again, with 499 prizes out of 897. Europe was next with 187, Ireland did well with 55, and Canada and South Africa were strongly represented.

Residual and cash prizes will be drawn to-morrow.—International Press Bureau.

TIENTSIN LUCK

Dublin, Mar. 20. In the Irish Sweep draw to-day, ticket No. PA 27214, held by J. H. An, of the Asiatic Petroleum Co., Tientsin, drew War Vessel.

The runner may be worth £30,000 and must win £530.—International Press Bureau.

Rugby Matches At Home

London, Mar. 20. Rugby Union matches played to-day resulted as follows:
North 6 Oxford University 10
Cross Keys 14 Newport 10
Llanelli 6 Swansea 3
Widened 8 Cardiff 11
Trinity 8 Cardiff 11
—Reuter.

Here And There With "Abe"

Boom Likely In Brown Rubber Shoe Industry

THERE will probably be a boom in the brown rubber shoe industry in Hongkong this summer. At the annual meeting of the Lawn Bowls Association held last Friday, a rule was passed whereby all players in matches under the jurisdiction of the Hongkong L.B.A. will have to wear brown shoes. It is likely that there will be 27 teams participating in the three divisions of the League, which means that a total of 324 players will be turning out every Saturday.

Taken for granted that many players already possess brown shoes, the demand will still be great enough probably to cause some profiteering shoe-maker to increase the prices of this commodity. Seriously, however, though the rule may not prove popular with everyone, as many people have been content with playing their matches in white rubbers for years and years, it is one which was bound to come sooner or later. It merely conforms with what is already laid down by the English Bowling Association.

Better For Game

THE reason why brown shoes are advocated is that when a head is being played, players wearing white shoes and standing behind the jack are liable to cause it to be obscured, whereas if brown ones were worn the jack would stand out in relief. When one comes to think of it, the rule benefits the game. The argument, brought forward at the meeting, to the effect that comfort will be sacrificed does not hold water. The rule merely lays down that brown-coloured shoes must be worn, and those who object to wearing heavy brown shoes with rubber soles need only have to get a pair of brown-coloured canvas rubbers, which are so commonly seen in the Colony, and which do not cost any more than the ordinary white rubbers. Only the question of colour enters into the matter: I suppose one can wear any shoes one is inclined to, provided they are brown in colour and have rubber soles.

Going Too Far

AT that meeting, it was suggested that some ruling should also be made in regard to dress at bowls matches in Hongkong. But, as most members were agreed, this was going too far. After all, the game is played here in the hottest months and it is only natural that players would want to be as comfortably as they can be. And so long as they observe the ordinary rules of decency, they should be left as much alone as possible. There should be no ruling at all on dress. I shudder to think of a League match, for instance, in which twelve players wearing white shirts and yellow shorts opposed to twelve players of the opposing team wearing white flannels and blue shirts! It would be different, of course, if the play was affected, as in the case of a mass of white shoes behind the white jack; but dress obviously cannot affect the play but only the players, who should have a voice in the matter.

Start At 4 p.m.

ONE very sensible suggestion was brought forward by Mr. J. G. Meyer, whose proposition to commence League matches between April and August at 4 p.m. instead of at 3.30 p.m. as of old was passed and made into a bye-law of the Association. Past experience has shown that 3.30 p.m. between April and August is much too warm an hour to commence play and players generally welcome the new ruling. Kowloon Docks particularly will be pleased; for in the past they have often written to other clubs asking that all their matches be started at 4 p.m. instead of 3.30. They need not do so in future.

Popularity Of Game

THE wonderful progress of the game in Hongkong during the last few years was emphasised once again when it was announced that Kowloon Football Club, who entered the League for the first time last season, were putting in two teams this year, and that the Prisoners' Department at Stanley were entering the Third Division of the League. Furthermore, there is a possibility of the Kowloon B.C.C. putting in three teams instead of two. If the K.B.F.C. enter three teams, it means a total of 27 teams will be participating in the three divisions of the League, and also that the Incoming Committee will have to make some arrangement regarding the composition of each division this summer. I don't know what the Association officials intend to do, but it seems to me at the moment that the best method of dividing up the teams would be to have nine in each division, retain all last year's eight First Division teams and promote the winners of the Second Division; promote the two top teams of the Third Division last year to the Second Division; and put the three new teams in the Third Division. This, I think, is as good an arrangement as any. If no new teams enter the League next season, the promotion and relegation rule will then work on the basis of nine teams in each division.

ENGLISH-BADMINTON TEAM WILL VISIT MALAYA

Writing in the "Daily Herald," Clifford Webb, the well-known sports critic, says that the All-England Badminton Association will shortly sponsor a tour by four leading English men players and two women to Australia, New Zealand and Canada and that the team will call at Malaya on the way.

This move to include Malaya in the itinerary is undoubtedly due to A. S. Samuel's splendid displays in the English county championships, of which he has won six.

Webb says that the biggest international stride the game could make would be the introduction of a competition on Davis Cup lines, which is actually in process of preparation. Badminton is booming in the United States and Canada and is rapidly attracting great attention in Australia and New Zealand.

Youngsters Revive Boxing Popularity In Great Britain

London, Mar. 1.

Thanks to two magnificent lightweight championship fights at Harringay in the last two months, a new era has opened for British boxing.

Many who had never seen a boxing match before had the unique experience of seeing the Boon-Danahar contest on one of the 10,000 television sets that are owned round the metropolis or at a cinema.

Next time they will want to be at the ringside.

The amazing changes of fortune, he thrills, the sportsmanship and courage displayed by both men, gave boxing a tremendous lift.

FIGHTER VS. BOXER

The contest between Eric Boon and Arthur Danahar was one of the most brilliant and thrilling fighter-versus-boxer contests ever seen in the British ring. It is still the talk of the athletic world.

The fight was stopped by the referee at precisely the right moment. It was at the beginning of the 14th round when the beaten but indomitable Danahar rose at the count of nine after his eighth knock-down, and when, for the first time in this dramatic fight, it was clear that he could not win.

Ferocity and tremendous hitting power enabled Boon to retain his title after he had been given a rare boxing lesson for the first seven rounds.

Danahar had never before been called upon to fight more than eight rounds and this, coupled with the fact that 9st. 9lb. is really too light a weight for him, told its tale against a natural lightweight. Danahar will fight next as a welter.

N.S.C. TRIBUTE

Boon and Danahar were introduced from the ring at the N.S.C. programme at Earl's Court four days after their great battle. Danahar is a protégé of the N.S.C. Admiral Sir Lionel Halsey, chairman of the N.S.C., made a splendid speech, addressing himself to Danahar first, he said:

"The N.S.C., after your wonderful showing last Thursday, desire to do something to help you. After long consideration we have come to the conclusion that the gift which will benefit you most will be to give you a complete rest from boxing in order that you might build yourself up and do further credit to British boxing."

Handing Danahar an envelope, he continued: "With this order you can go for a month's trip—either on a cruise or wherever you like. Whatever you decide to do, all expenses will be taken care of."

"RESTORED GLAMOUR"

Admiral Halsey then addressed Boon as "the greatest fighter in this country." He added, "You won by no fluke. You pulled a losing fight out of the fire with your great heart and great punching."

"You two boys whose joint ages don't make 40 have restored glamour to British boxing."

The gallant Admiral then announced that Eric Boon was to be the guest of the Club when a presentation would be made to him.

Arthur Danahar wound up the pleasant evening by saying, "Eric Boon is a great fighter and I wish him success when he fights for the first time, and hope he makes it his own property."

"You two boys whose joint ages don't make 40 have restored glamour to British boxing."

H. K. Ladies' Interport Hockey Team Expected In Shanghai On April 6

Shanghai, Mar. 16.

Arriving probably on the 6th of April, the Hongkong Women's Interport Hockey Team will stay for some 10 days in the local port during which interval they will participate in three hockey matches, including the all-important Interport Match against the pick of Shanghai's women hockey players.

In preparation for the visitor's arrival, the Shanghai Ladies Hockey Association has completed some of their plans for the reception of the colony side. Details of their entertainment, with an Interport Supper Dance being the main function, have been entered into with great care so that the southerners will be assured of a royal welcome.

The first hockey encounter will take place on the 10th of April, when the Interport XI will play the date of the Kowloon XI on Saturday, April 8. Another interesting tilt for the visiting team will be a match against the Greens, the champions of the local women's league who have yet to lose a single game. For the third clash, a team representing the "Rest of Shanghai," will be pitted against the colony side.

ENTERTAINMENT PLANS

The Special Entertainment Committee, headed by Miss E. Bloomfield, has also arranged an extremely attractive programme for the visitors. The first item on the reception will be a welcoming tiffin on the day of arrival. Following this function will be a tea and a Chinese dinner, the dates and place to be arranged presently.

The most colourful affair of the entire programme, however, will be the Interport Dance which will be held at the Shanghai Race Club. A large attendance is expected at this dance, with the major portion of those present being undoubtedly drawn from hockey players and enthusiasts. The Committee is sparing no pains to make this function the most outstanding of the whole of the visitors' stay.

The Association is going on ahead with their Interport Trials this week-end with another two being scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, both matches to be played at the Race Course. The selections for these two encounters have not yet been decided but the matches are expected to produce a high standard of play.

National And Lincolnshire Calls-Over

London, Mar. 20.

The following is the latest call-over for the Grand National, which will be run on March 24:

7/1 Kilstar (t. and o.)
10/1 Workman (t. and o.)
10/10 Royal Mail (t. and o.)
13/1 Temewillow (o.) 14/1 (t.)
10/10 Royal Mail (o.) 14/1 (t.)
10/1 Hockquill (o.)
20/1 Brendan's Cottage (o.)
20/1 Underbit (t. and o.)
20/1 Macmillan (t. and o.)
20/1 Coolen (o.) 25/1 (t.)
30/1 Inverness (o.) 33/1 (t.)

LINCOLNSHIRE

London, Mar. 20.

The following is the latest call-over for the Lincolnshire:

6/1 Donains (t. and o.)
10/10 Galsania (t. and o.)
10/10 Aldine (t. and o.)
10/10 Mahalo (o.) 20/1 (t.)
20/1 Hestown (o.) 25/1 (t.)
20/1 Temerale (o.) 25/1 (t.)
20/1 Halcyon Gift (o.) 25/1 (t.)
20/1 St. Andrew's (t. and o.)
20/1 Daily Bread (o.) 25 (t.)
20/1 Zalmis (t. and o.)
20/1 Dark Tolly (o.)
20/1 Agincourt (t. and o.)
20/1 Davy Dollittle (o.)
20/1 Dundee (t. and o.)
60/1 Croiscon (o.) 60/1 (t.)
60/1 Sir Pomm (o.) 60/1 (t.)

Cricket Tour Ends With Drawn Game

Auckland, Mar. 20.

Sir Julien Kahn's cricketers ended their tour of New Zealand to-day with a drawn match against Auckland.

In the first innings, the tourists scored 466. Auckland replied with 270, and in the follow-on, made 304 for three wickets.—Reuter Bulletin.

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Horse Rivals Bradman As Public Idol

Australian Wonder Set Up Weight Record In Recent Caulfield Race

Sydney, Mar. 3.

Ajax, Australia's wonder horse, claimed to be worth £50,000, has now won sixteen races in succession and threatens to displace Don Bradman as public idol number one.

Never in the history of racing at Caulfield had there been such a tumultuous and prolonged demonstration as that which greeted Ajax, as he returned to the weighing enclosure, after winning the Caulfield Futurity Stakes with a record weight for a 4-year-old of 10st 6lb. His performance was the more striking because the race was run in pouring rain with mud fetlock deep.

The previous record weight carried to victory by a four-year-old was the 10st 3lb carried by the mighty Phar Lap. However, Ajax really created a weight carrying record for the race, as owing to the heavy rain and muddy state of the track, his rider H. Badger weighed in at 10st 7½lb, which was in excess of the record weight of 10st 7lb carried by Eurythme, then a five-year-old, when he won in 1922.

SIXTEENTH SUCCESSIVE VICTORY

Ajax won the St. George Stakes at Caulfield the previous Saturday, a 9 furlongs weight for age race with the greatest of ease.

His win in the 7 furlongs Futurity Stakes was his sixteenth successive victory, and his owners make no secret of the fact that Ajax is out to break the Australian record held by Glomaring and Desert Gold of 19 successive wins.

If Ajax wins his next two races in Melbourne, the King's Plate, 1½ miles, and the C. M. Lloyd Stakes, one-mile, he probably will have to face the New Zealand champion, Defaulter, in Sydney, in his 19th or 20th race.

Defaulter has six successive wins to his credit in New Zealand and the meeting of the two champions here is being awaited with great interest.

PUBLIC IDOL NUMBER ONE

Should Ajax succeed in his attempt to create an Australian record of 20 successive wins his position as public idol number one seems assured. "Our Harbour," "Our Bridge," and even "Our Bradman," hitherto ranked so highly in popular esteem may all be superseded by "Our Ajax."

F. Musgrave, trainer of Ajax, says that Ajax seems to have become not only a national, but an international hero. He says that visitors from all over Australia and passengers from English and American liners call to see the horse.

Some of the overseas visitors knock at Mr. Musgrave's front door and merely ask "Does Ajax live here?"

The Futurity Stakes win was worth £2,300 to Ajax, who has now 23 races and £27,475 in stakes. H. Badger, the Victorian jockey, has won him 17 times, while the Sydney riders M. McCarten and E. Bartle

have had five and one wins respectively.

"WORTH IT"

In response to an inquiry from America recently to put a price on Ajax his value was given as £50,000. After his win in the Futurity Stakes Mr. E. K. Thornton, a steward of the Kansas City Racing Club, whose trip from America to Australia was influenced largely by a desire to see Australian horses, said in an interview at Caulfield that Ajax was worth the £50,000.

"He is certainly a great horse," he said, "one of the best it would be possible to see anywhere."

"I consider he would give a good bit of weight and still beat Sea Biscuit and War Admiral up to a quarter. Even the best American horses are never asked to race with 10st 6lb and it amazed me to see the speed shown by Ajax as he ploughed through the heavy track to run seven furlongs in 1m 28½s."

"Laurin, the Kentucky Derby winner, is a pretty fair horse, but Ajax would beat him any number of lengths."

GERMAN ATHLETICS

Japan Accepts Invitation For Summer Visit

Tokyo, Mar. 20. Accepting the invitation extended by the German Athletic Federation, the Japan Athletic Federation has decided to send six Japanese athletes, including sprinters and jumpers, to Germany this summer, it was announced here to-day. The Japanese delegates will compete with German athletes at various districts in Germany.—Domei.

COLLEGE SPORTS

The Fourteenth Annual Athletic Sports meeting of Wah Yan College will be held on the South China Athletic Association ground, Caroline Hill, on Thursday, March 23, commencing at 1 p.m. Mr. C. G. Soles, the Director of Education, will distribute the prizes at 4.30 p.m.

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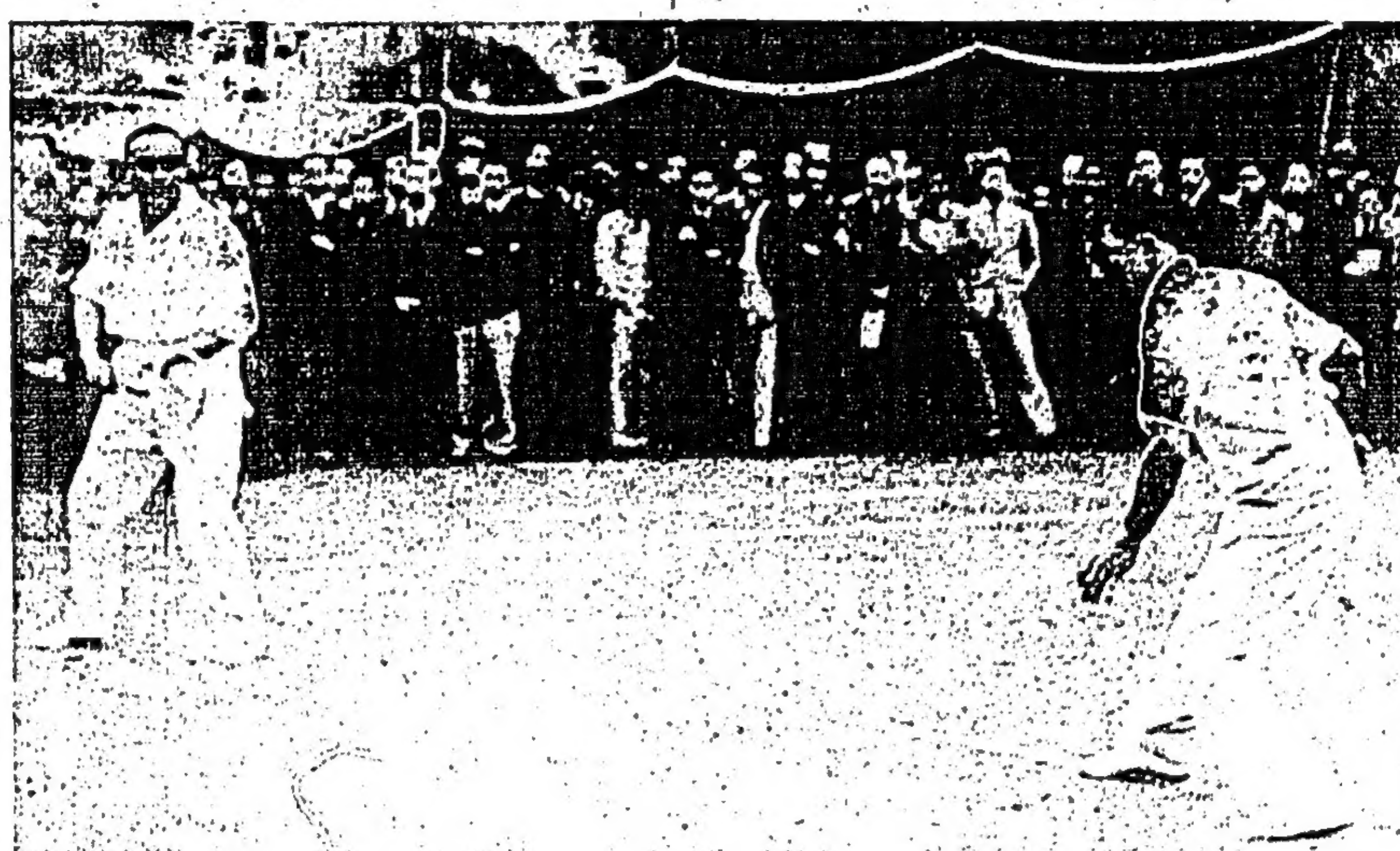
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E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung were eliminated from the doubles of the Colony Tennis Championships yesterday by J. J. Remedios and A. V. Gosans, of the Club de Recreo. They played far below their usual form, and were fortunate to take a set.—Staff Photographer.

SPLENDID BOXING

The boxing tournament organised by the Middlesex Regiment and held at Nanking Barracks, Shamshuipo, last night provided a full programme of good boxing and keen contests. There were several good mixing bouts, but Private Moran, an outstanding light-heavyweight of the host Regiment, was able to dispose of his opponent too easily to show much of his prowess.

Col. A. L. Newnam, Officer Commanding, presented the prizes at the end of the evening.

The results were: Bantamweight.—Pte. Williams (Mid.) knocked out Spr. Murphy (Fortress R.E.) 1st round; Spr. Diamond (Fort. R.E.) beat Pte. Panling (Mid.). Featherweight.—Pte. Dormer (Mid.) beat Pte. Bickley (R.A.M.C.); A.B. Upton (H.M.S. Birmingham) beat Pte. Hope (Mid.); Pte. Hugginson (Mid.) beat Gnr. Campbell (5th A.A.) 1st round; Pte. Smith (Mid.) w.o. Pte. Goldburn (Mid.).

Lightweight.—Cpl. Ellis (Mid.) beat L/Sgt. Lewis (R.E.), t.k.o. 2nd round; Pte. McElhatton (Mid.) beat P. Childress (R.A.M.C.); L/Cpl. Phillips (Mid.) beat Pte. Varty (R.A.M.C.), k.o. 1st round.

Welterweight.—Cpl. Freshwater (Mid.) w.o. Trooper Robinson (5th A.A.); Cpl. Holdford (Mid.) beat Pte. Jacob (R.A.M.C.), k.o. 2nd round; Pte. Gelst (Mid.) beat Spr. Cox (Fort. R.E.); Pte. Eaton (Mid.) beat A.B. Barnett (H.M.S. Birmingham), k.o. 1st round; Pte. Milroy (Mid.) beat Spr. Cunningham (Fort. R.E.), k.o. 1st round.

Light-heavyweight.—L/Cpl. Seton (Mid.) beat Pte. Goulden (R.A.M.C.); L/Cpl. Webster (Mid.) beat Spr. Spencer (Fort. R.E.).

Heavyweight.—Pte. Fawcett (Mid.) beat L/Cpl. Fox (Mid.); Pte. Moran (Mid.) beat Sts. Rodgers (H.M.S. Birmingham), t.k.o. 2nd round; L/Cpl. Betts (Mid.) beat Gnr. Pearson (5th Heavy Bty, R.A.).

FOOTBALL FIXTURES FOR WEEK

Local league football matches and the Lal Wah Cup final have been arranged as follows:

TO-MORROW
First Division
South China "A" v. St. Joseph's (Caroline Hill), 5 p.m. Referee, Adlam. Linesmen, Demme and Purnell.

Eastern v. Royal Scots (Hongkong F.C.), 5 p.m. Referee, Glover. Linesmen, Hartley and Barretto.

SATURDAY, MAR. 25
First Division
Kowloon v. South China "A" (Kowloon), 4.30 p.m. Referee, Hinchcliffe. Linesmen, Somerville and Wyper.

Middlesex v. Eastern (Sookunpoo), 4.30 p.m. Referee, Havelaar. Linesmen, Banham and Baker.

St. Joseph's v. Police (Caroline Hill), 4.30 p.m. Referee, Ford. Linesmen, Horlock and Stone.

Second Division
Kwong Wah v. South China (Kowloon), 3 p.m. Referee, Ip.

5th R.A. v. Eastern (Sookunpoo), 3 p.m. Referee, Omar.

Third Division
Runners-up Play-off
South China v. Kit Chee (Caroline Hill), 3 p.m. Referee, Clarke.

SUNDAY, MAR. 26
Lal Wah Cup Final
Civilians v. Chinese (Hongkong F.C.), 4 p.m. Referee, Goss. Linesmen, Farr and Hartley.

YACHTING RESULTS

True Blue Wins Sixth Women's Second Series

The re-sail of the sixth women's second series was held by the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club yesterday over a distance of 10.1 miles. The race was for "A" class which started at 14.45. Results:

	Finished	Pos.	Pts.
True Blue	16.45.08	1	14
(Miss H. Crawhall Wilson)			
Artemis	16.45.30	2	12
(Miss M. Whitlam)			
Redshank	16.47.22	3	11
(Mrs. M. N. Luce)			
La Linda	16.47.33	4	10
(Mrs. M. I. Johnstone)			
Kittiwake	16.48.03	5	9
(Miss P. M. King)			
Jean	16.48.36	6	8
(Mrs. V. Givland)			
Isobel	D.N.F.		
Guri	D.N.F.		

WEEK-END GOLF

F. Groves, with a score of 35+4=39, won the Stableford Competition of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club played at Fanling during the week-end.

Other scores were F. S. Geldart 20+18=38, H. Overy 20+18=37, and E. T. McMullen 20+17=36. There were twenty-one entries.

OUR SPELLING BEE (see page 7) attracted one or two anti-theatrical, misanthropic—frowly.

FOURTH ANNUAL PRIZE MEETING OF H.K.R.A.

To Be Held From April 13 To 17

Programmes and entry forms have been issued for the fourth annual Prize Meeting (incorporating the United Services Meeting) of the Hongkong Rifle Association to be held on the Army Ranges, Kowloon City, from April 13 to 17, both days inclusive.

Entries close on April 2 and post entries, 50 per cent extra, will close on April 6. Any entry received after April 6 will be charged 100 per cent, and then subject to Range accommodation.

The booklet contains the provisional time-table for the meeting. On April 13, 14 and 15, there will be shooting from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on April 16 and 17 from 8.30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

During the meeting the Claybird Range will be open as follows:—April 14—11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 to 4 p.m.; April 15—10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.; April 16—10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 3 to 4.30 p.m.; April 17—10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 2 to 3.30 p.m.

The following are the rifle competitions:—"Affiliated Rifle Clubs," China Fleet Challenge Cup, Company Match (Services), Failing Plate Match (Services), "Imperial and Police Forces," "Inter-Universities," "International" Machine Gun Match, Platoon Match (Services), Association Revolver Team Match, Senior Members Match, "Services Team Aggregate," Steel-Coulson Trophy, "Veterans Trophy," Services Claybird Team match.

*No person may fire in more than two of the events comprising this aggregate.

Badminton Semi-Finals Arranged

The following are the arranged semi-finals of the Colony Open Badminton Championships:

FRIDAY, MAR. 24
Junior Singles
J. S. Ho v. S. H. Boone (Talkoo), 8 p.m.

Senior Singles
P. K. Hui v. F. Koh (Talkoo), 8.30 p.m.

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TUESDAY, MAR. 28
Junior Singles
D. Kwok v. P. Lo (Talkoo), 8 p.m.

Mixed Doubles
K. L. Yong and Miss W. Cheung v. P. K. Hui and Miss Khoo or A. Keown and Miss R. Summers (Talkoo), 8.30 p.m.

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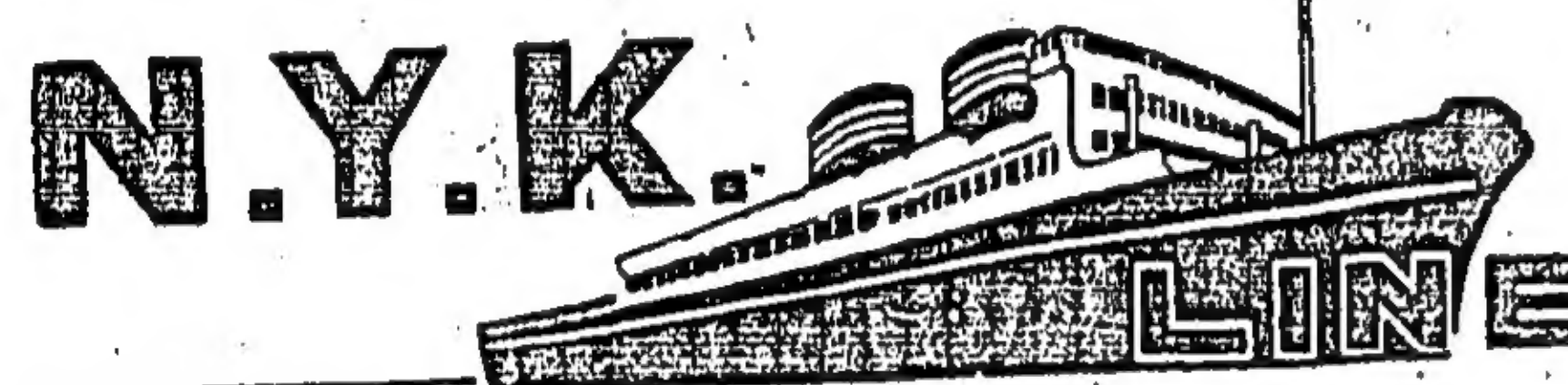
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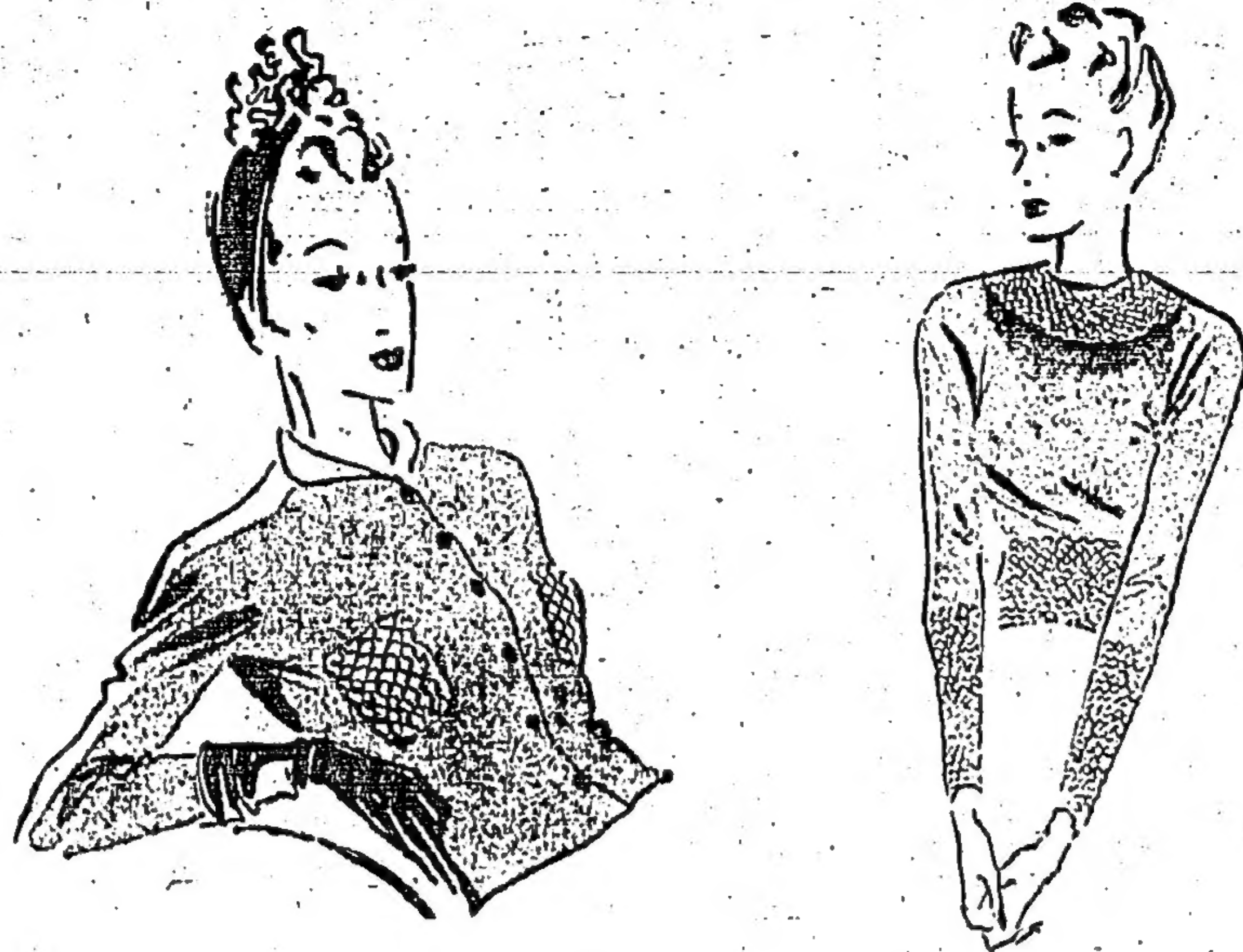
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The distance between the dots regulates the thickness of the finished work. The wider spaced the dots the thicker and more elastic it will be.

FOR a light-weight woollen, say, between 3 and 5 ounces, quarter-inch stitches, lift a quarter, lay a quarter, giving fairly shallow gathers, will be suitable. Silk, being less bulky, can take wider stitches, but you will need more material, and the smocking will be deeper.

A quarter of an inch is a good standard size for most fabrics. If you do smock anything thick you will have to tack it in big stitches but not pull it up so tightly.

Each row of tacks must be done with a separate thread.

When you have tacked the required number of lines, pull them up to an even tension. (Of course, if you are honeycombing round a neck the inner tacks, nearest the neck edge, must be tighter than those outside to give you a round.)

Either knot the threads of each two rows together, or put a pin opposite to each pair of rows and wind the threads from the two rows round it.

Stroke the gather so that the ridges are absolutely even. Now the embroidery: two lines are worked at a time, going from left to right.

START at the top left-hand corner. Catch the first

two plants in the upper row with a back stitch. Return the needle to the wrong side and slip it down the second plant to the lower row, bringing it to the right side. Catch this plant (the second) to the next plant in the lower row (the third). Now slip the needle up the third plant to the top row and catch this same plant (the third) to the fourth, in the top row.

The second plant (when two are backstitched) in one row becomes the first plant in the next pair to be backstitched, either up or down.

Continue in this way working two plants together in each row to the end of the line.

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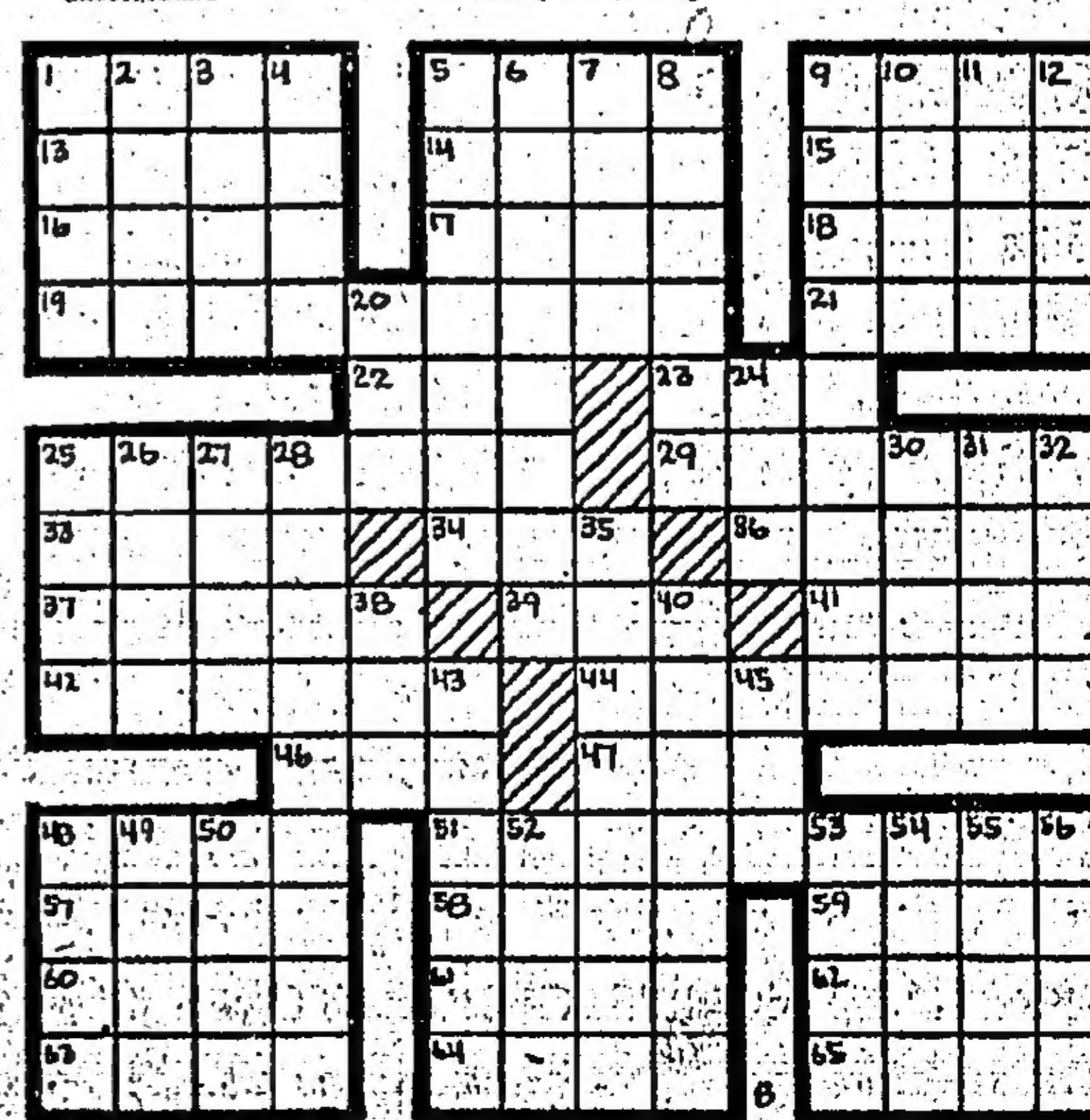
By LAIS MORRIS

ACROSS

- 1—Pleas
- 2—Vipers
- 3—First girl is
- 4—Make angry
- 5—Pact
- 6—Doughnut shape
- 7—Jewel
- 8—Large plant
- 9—Cunning plan
- 10—Deceived of
- 11—New male
- 12—Small horse
- 13—Constituent
- 14—Implement of war
- 15—Collapsed
- 16—Box in theatre
- 17—Toucan
- 18—Wait on table
- 19—Quench
- 20—Just so
- 21—Spice
- 22—Small European type
- 23—Written communications
- 24—After
- 25—Hill
- 26—Not satisfied
- 27—Paying close attention
- 28—Want to
- 29—Drink to excess
- 30—Hiding place
- 31—Heaven
- 32—Common metal
- 33—Excavate underground

DOWN

- 1—Two dead
- 2—After board cry
- 3—Will keep stretched
- 4—Apert
- 5—Well-conceived plan
- 6—Mates of rhymes
- 7—Cleans with broom
- 8—Most forcible
- 9—Unit of time
- 10—Celtic language
- 11—Perceiver
- 12—Great vessel
- 13—Ridge of land
- 14—Geology
- 15—Jinx
- 16—Two bowls
- 17—Mirrored cells
- 18—Carties
- 19—Legal redress
- 20—Always
- 21—Inhabited earth
- 22—Jelly-like substance
- 23—Part of wheat plant
- 24—Curt of
- 25—United territories
- 26—Foundation of metric system
- 27—Min
- 28—Added quantity
- 29—On and above
- 30—Extension of spine
- 31—Innards
- 32—Mental image
- 33—Cell
- 34—Ambitions



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EUROPEAN CHARGED

Driving Under Influence Of Drink Alleged

That defendant staggered and actually fell down after going two steps when put through a test at the Queen Mary Hospital was given in evidence by a witness at the Central Magistracy yesterday when A. C. Hargreave of Messrs Imperial Chemical Industries (China) Limited was summoned before Mr. R. Edwards for driving a car while under the influence of drink in Bonham Road on February 22.

A further charge of driving without due care and caution was added by Inspector S. C. Saunders. Mr. F. G. Nigel was present for defendant, while Mr. Alfred Y. Hon held a watching brief for the principal witness, Mr. Woo Kam-tai. Inspector Saunders said that shortly after 1 p.m. on February 22 defendant was driving his car No. 3543 westwards along Bonham Road. Woo was driving a motor-cycle No. 155 eastwards and was carrying a passenger on his pillion seat.

Woo saw defendant when driving around the corner near King's College, and then, it was said, instead of keeping to the left, the car went over to the wrong side of the road.

The driver of the motor-cycle had nothing else to do but swerve to the right in an endeavour to avoid the car. The driver of the car appeared to have realised that too, and also swerved, with the result the two vehicles collided.

The rider of the motor-cycle was injured in the arm, while defendant was also injured.

A European lady appeared on the scene shortly after, and took the defendant to hospital, while the two riders on the motor-cycle were taken to hospital in an ambulance.

Defendant showed signs of being under the influence of liquor at the hospital, and the present summons was taken out after the Police had made inquiries. Dr. D. Valentine, Deputy Director of Medical Services, said that he happened to be in the main entrance hall of the Queen Mary Hospital about 1.30 p.m. on February 22 when he saw Hargreave being assisted by a European lady. He led them to the casualty room and, before handing the case over to the M. O. on duty, made a cursory examination of the injured man, which showed that he had a small punctured wound on the left wrist.

Smell of Alcohol. The man's breath smelt of alcohol. He did not think Hargreave had been drinking much, but perhaps sufficient to affect his general demeanour, to make him talkative or perhaps restless.

Inspector Saunders, in your opinion as a Medical Officer and a driver of very long experience, do you say that defendant was under the influence of drink so that he was unable to exercise proper control of his car?—Yes, I do.

You would not care to be in his company if he was driving a car.—No.

Did you give instructions for a test to be made of the urine? I did. In answer to Mr. Nigel, witness said that symptoms similar to those of drunkenness might be caused by shock. He did not know the nature of the accident when examining Hargreave, but not having heard of it he agreed that the accident was liable to cause shock.

Evidence was given by Dr. P. R. Y. Naidu, House Surgeon, at the Queen Mary Hospital, who said he was on duty in the casualty ward when Hargreave was brought in by Dr. Valentine shortly after 1 p.m. Hargreave appeared to be in a convivial mood when he noticed him, while he also smelt of alcohol. No bone or other superficial injury was found by him, while he personally supervised and collected a specimen of urine which was later sent to the Government Analyst for testing.

Dr. Naidu also said Hargreave spoke to him and said there was really nothing wrong, and also said Kung Hei Fat Choy. He also heard Hargreave say something to the Sister in the ward.

Questioned by Mr. Edwards as to what had been said, witness said it was something a gentleman would not say. He then wrote it down and handed it to the Magistrate.

Continuing, witness said he tested Hargreave by asking him to walk in a straight line from one person to another. This turned out to be a failure, as defendant staggered and actually fell down after walking about two paces. He was walking close to him as he had expected him to fall down.

"The hearing" was adjourned until 2.30 p.m. on Thursday, March 23.

LETTERS

To The Editor, Hongkong Telegraph

Sir,—In order to alleviate distress amongst Chinese who have become destitute on account of the troubled conditions in their country, considerable sums of money have been subscribed, mainly from British sources. A most disturbing story is being circulated that thousands of subscribed dollars have been spent in the purchase of German and other foreign products.

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Crown Prince Sees Pope Pius

Vatican City, Mar. 20. Pope Pius XII to-day received the Italian Crown Prince in audience. The Crown Prince, who had represented the King of Italy at the Pope's coronation, subsequently visited the Cardinal Secretary of State, Cardinal Magliano.—Trans-Ocean.

H.E. Major General A. F. Grasett and Brigadier A. B. Thomson will visit Macao on April 6; probably making the trip in one of H.M. Ships.

Wants Western Food

Convict's Peculiar Plea From Dock

"I want European food in gaol; I don't like Chinese food," shouted Cheng Chioi in Hakka dialect as he was being led from the dock of the Supreme Court yesterday to serve 18 months imprisonment for unlawful possession of an automatic pistol and 47 rounds of ammunition.

Cheng, who denied the charge, appeared before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, and a jury comprising Messrs. W. C. Kailey (Foreman), C. El. Rodriguez, Yau King-kwal, B. D. la Bruce, C. E. Barros, A. L. G. Eastman and C. A. dos Remedios.

Mr. J. B. Prentiss, Assistant Crown Solicitor, said Cheng was found by police in a Wanchai opium divan raid on February 2. The weapon was in a parcel, which he claimed as his. It had been recently fired and was in good condition, as was also the ammunition. When charged he said a prostitute had given him \$2 to carry the weapon for her.

When invited to make his defence, Cheng said he left the matter in the hands of the Court, and without retiring the jury returned a unanimous verdict of guilty.

Mr. Prentiss said Cheng had a previous conviction for soliciting. Nothing was known against him except that he acted as a tout for a Wanchai prostitute.

"This is a dangerous type of offence," declared the Chief Justice as he passed sentence.

TO MAKE TOUR

French Envoy to China Will Visit Hongkong

Chungking, Mar. 20. The new French Ambassador, M. Henri Cosme, entertained the press and Chinese Government and military circles to tea to-day at the Embassy building on top of the hill of Chungking's suburb.

M. Cosme said that he was planning to leave Chungking on March 22 by plane to Kuming and from there proceed to Hanoi and Hongkong en route to Shanghai to inspect the French Concession. After visiting Shanghai he will go to Peiping and Hankow and then return to Chungking for a longer stay. He will be accompanied on the trip by the military attaché at the French Embassy, Colonel Louis Yvon.—United Press.

Soviet Espionage In United States

Los Angeles, Mar. 20. Michael Gorin, manager of a Soviet tourist agency, was sentenced to six years imprisonment to-day with a fine of \$10,000 on charges of espionage.—Reuter.

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Motor-lorries Arrive Through Burma

Tokyo, Mar. 20. Transportation of war supplies to China through Burma has recently been accelerated with the arrival of a number of motor-lorries from abroad.

Goods such as aircraft parts, machine-guns and steamrollers for road construction are being directly transferred from ships to motor-lorries instead of being stored in warehouses.

Up to March 14, 110 15-ton freight cars were sent to Lashio from Rangoon, while 427 China-bound motor-lorries arrived at Rangoon before March 14.

The Burmese Government on March 11 announced that consumption and other taxes would be remitted on motor-fuel and kerosene purchased by Chinese concerns for export to China.—Domei.

SEVERE EARTHQUAKE

Kyushu and Shikoku In Japan Rocked

Tokyo, Mar. 20. A severe earthquake rocked a wide area of Japan including the central part of the main island, Kyushu and Shikoku at 12.23 o'clock this afternoon.

The strongest shock was felt in Miyazaki, Oita and Mumamoto Prefecture in Kyushu. At the city of Miyazaki chimneys toppled down, electric wires were snapped and windows panes were shattered.

According to an announcement by the Central Meteorological Observatory, the epicentre was located in the Uga Sea between Shikoku and Kyushu.—Domei.

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M.P. DEMANDS BAN ON "LOVE" GAME

"Cross Insult" to Archbishop

BECAUSE he regards it as a "gross insult" to the Archbishop of Canterbury, an M.P. is to demand a ban on an American card game called "Love."

He is Colonel Harry Day and he is to ask a question about the game—which also mentions the Duke and Duchess of Windsor.

Territorial Army Inquiry

AN immediate increase of the total income drawn by Territorial Army Associations, by about £195,000 a year has been sanctioned by the Government on the recommendation of the Strathcona Committee on Territorial Army Finance and Organization. The gross additional income which the associations will receive this year, compared with 1937, is £300,000. At least £100,000 of this is a real improvement of income not earmarked for any particular service.

The Committee, the appointment of which was announced in March 1938, consisted of Captain Lord Strathcona, Mount Royal (chairman); Major-General Sir John Brown; Colonel Lord Cobham; Brigadier-General R. W. Hare; Colonel Sir Robert Johnson (died March 2, 1938); Mr. J. R. Wade; and Mr. L. F. Schoelling (Air Ministry Liaison Officer); with Major J. M. Reddie as secretary. The terms of reference were: "To examine and report on the general administration of the Territorial Army, with special reference to (i) the organization and finance of the country associations; (ii) the reduction of correspondence and the simplification of administration between the War Office and county associations and units; and (iii) the reduction of office work in units and the system of providing clerical assistance." The Government have accepted the Committee's recommendations practically unaltered.

LOCAL COMMITTEES

The Committee's main conclusion is that the administration of the Territorial Army by county associations is basically sound and has stood the test and strain of the War years and the still more difficult post-War period, and that, in view of the civilian character of the Territorial Army, no other system of administration is practicable. They consider, however, that certain reforms in the constitution of associations are desirable. A closer touch with localities than is generally possible under the present system is required, and the Committee recommends the appointment of local committees in all places with a population of 25,000 or over, such local committees to send a representative to association meetings as a full member. The present system of nomination of members by local authorities should cease. Another important recommendation is that the commanding officer of every unit administered by an association should be an officer or a member of the association.

The Committee do not recommend the amalgamation of county associations, since they set great store by the territorial principle, but they recognize that the present small administrative units are uneconomical and recommend that the practice already adopted by certain counties of joint secretariats should be more widely extended and should go as far as to pool financial resources. It is hoped that the principle of joint secretariats will enable the associations concerned to pay a higher salary than has been possible in the past, thus obtaining a wider field of selection for the post of secretary.

MAIN GRANT RECAST

The examination made by the Committee into the details of administration is set out in a series of appendices dealing with general services, clothing, Territorial Army headquarters, and the division of responsibility between associations and commands for certain arrangements connected with training. The present system of grants for general services is reviewed exhaustively. Hitherto the main grant has been the "establishment grant"—a grant based on so much a head of the establishment of each unit. On the recommendation of the Committee, this grant has now been recast so as to include certain services for which separate grants have hitherto been made. The effect of this recast is an immediate increase of the total income drawn by associations, by about £195,000 a year.

The Committee point out that of the increased income drawn by associations during the last two years, at least £100,000 may be taken as a real improvement of income not earmarked for any particular service. The additional income has been calculated on the establishment in force on April 1, 1938. Further expansion of the Territorial Army will produce a still further general improvement in the income drawn by associations. The financial position of associations will therefore be very much better than three or four years ago, and the Committee expect that the associations' income will be sufficient to meet all reasonable requirements.

USE OF RESERVES

The Committee point out that apart from the necessity for providing for expenditure that falls un-

"SCANDAL," SAYS M.P. "I feel very strongly, that a lamentable breach of taste has been committed."

"It is scandalous the way we continue to permit the ridicule abroad of British notabilities. The time has come for a vigorous protest. I regard it as a gross insult to the Primrose."

"I shall ask the Secretary of State for the Home Department to stop the circulation of these offensive cards as far as this country is concerned."

"The Love Game," as it is called, is the invention of a 19-year-old American girl, Dottie Davis. It is intended to "make everyone love conscious" by introducing in 200 cards all the great lovers of history, such as Antony and Cleopatra, Romeo and Juliet.

"If you're lucky," say the instructions, "you may get the Edward or Wallis card—unless the Archbishop of Canterbury sends you to exile."

Miss Davis, planning to make Britain equally "love-conscious," wrote to the Archbishop of Canterbury for his approval of the game. Instead of the cordial reply she expected, Miss Davis has received a letter from the Archbishop's secretary, stating very coldly that "the Archbishop cannot say anything in commendation of the game to which you refer."

evenly, annual grants are intended to be spent upon the Territorial Army year by year. They recommend that those associations which have accumulated large reserves should consider the possibility of utilizing these reserves on special capital services which will be of permanent benefit to the units administered by them.

The Committee make an important recommendation in the section dealing with Territorial Army headquarters—namely, when improvements are made in the standard schedules of accommodation they should be applied as a general rule to all existing headquarters, as far as possible, without waiting, as at present, until a building has to be completely replaced or largely reconstructed.

On the question of the division of responsibility between associations and commands for certain training arrangements, the Committee recommend that commands should be responsible for all arrangements connected with training. The Territorial Army training grant should be increased sufficiently to make this possible, grants to associations being proportionately diminished. The machinery set up by associations should continue, wherever possible, to be used, but associations will act merely as agents of the General Officer Commanding-in-Chief and will no longer have the responsibility of restricting a unit's out-of-camp training in accordance with a money limit.

SIMPLIFYING PROCEDURE

The responsibility for making arrangements for travelling to camp will still remain with associations, but the profits made from the grants for this service. Various modifications in the regulations are suggested with the intention of simplifying procedure. Existing grants made for travelling are regarded by the Committee as being ample for the purpose, and it is not expected that the modifications proposed will have much effect upon the profit accruing from the grants. The profit is considerable (nearly £40,000 in 1937), and now that the grants have been recast and related more closely to expenditure should prove most useful in providing associations with that margin which is welcome in all budgets.

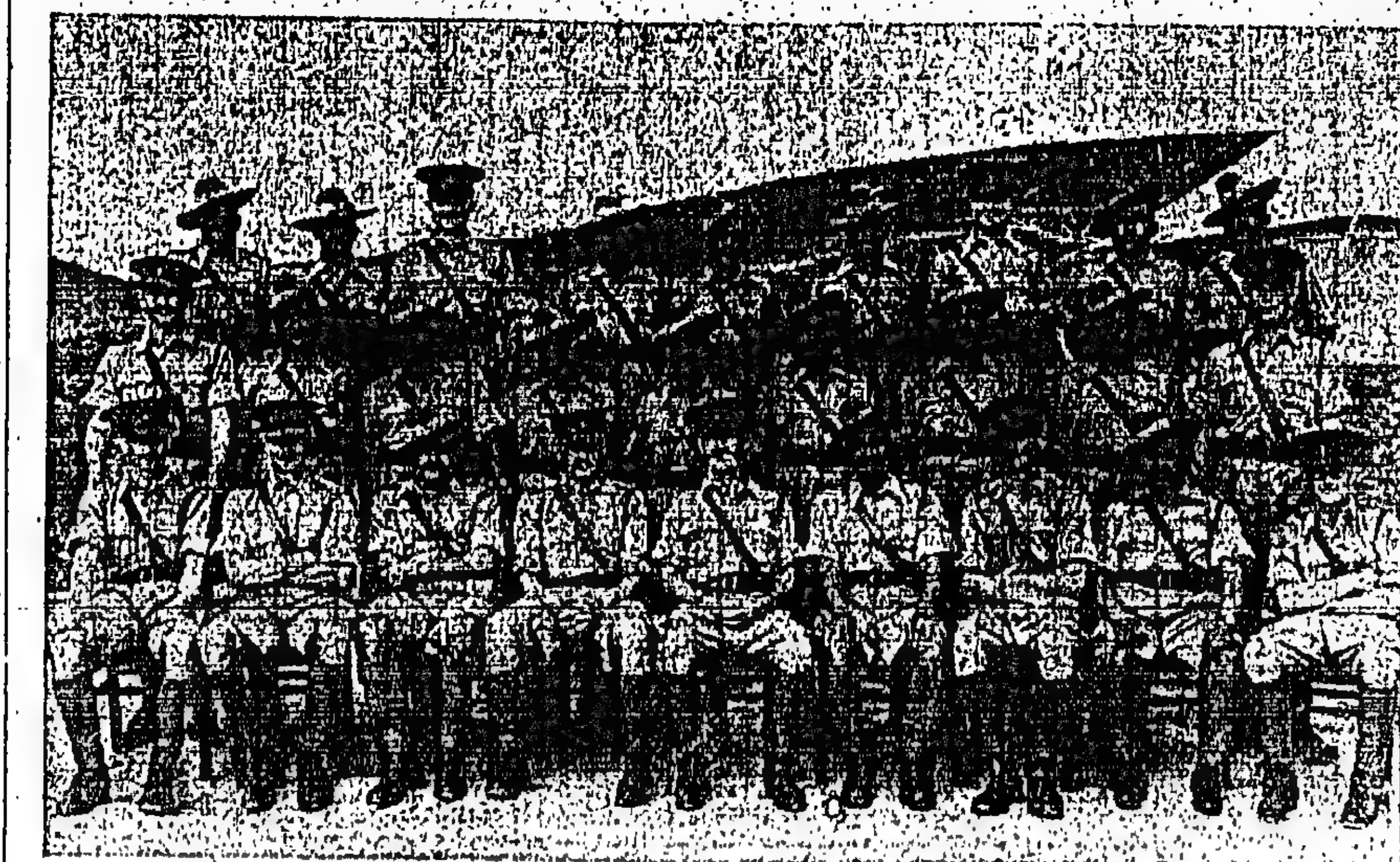
The Committee have taken the line that the volume of clerical work in the offices of units and associations is only reducible so far as it is possible to simplify any regulations which may be complicated and thus throw unnecessary work on the offices. They emphasize the importance of keeping administration as broad as possible and of eschewing detailed regulations devised to meet every possibility. Their recommendations, it is stated, have all been submitted with the mind, taking the rough with the smooth, a principle to which all concerned—units, associations, and the War Office—must subscribe.

New High Speed Launches For The Royal Navy

A demonstration of some of the latest types of high speed motor launches built by Thornycroft's at their Hampton-on-Thames Yard, for the Royal Navy, was carried out recently on the Thames alongside the Ford Jetty at Dagenham.

These launches are carried on destroyers and the larger warships for general fast service tenders, and are typical of the modern equipment being furnished to H.M. ships. The boats, of 25-ft. in length with a beam of 7-ft., are skilfully built of double skin mahogany planking on sawn timbers and intermediate steamed and bent timbers, the hull construction enabling the craft to withstand any amount of strain and hard usage.

Each boat is driven by a Thornycroft marine converted Ford V-8 en-



Officers of the 1st Kumaon Rifle photographed recently at San Wal Camp.—Ming Yuen.

TITLED WOMEN A.R.P. CHIEFS ATTACKED BY M.P.

Men Don't Matter—Says "Perfect Woman"

ANNETTE Kellerman, swimmer and film star, famed as "the perfect woman," who arrived in England from New York, said that she owes all her success to women. "Whatever work you do you've got to win over the women first," she said. "Men don't matter. Women can make or break you."

BEAUTY HINT

Thirty years have passed since Miss Kellerman first thrilled audiences with her diving exploits, but she is still physically perfect.

Even her measurements are the same. This is her best tip to women who want to make the most of themselves: "The whole grace of women is in the movement of the upper part of the body. Learn to make full use of your arms, head and torso by watching ballet dancers."

London always gives Miss Kellerman a thrill. She remembers how, in the early days of the century when she arrived from Australia with her father as "the Australian mermaid," they stayed in lodgings near King's Cross for 10s. 6d. a week. Now she is rich enough to do what has always been her ambition—give diving and water-ballet exhibitions for the benefit of crippled children.

Perfect Housewife Was Safe Blower

A small, golden-haired woman of 39 whom neighbours in Sighthill, here, regarded as a quiet housewife, was revealed in the Sheriff Court recently as the accomplice of a safe-breaker with a "shocking record."

Mrs. Annie Hassan had for three days sat in the dock, clutching the hand of James Nicol Scott, with whom she was charged with blowing a garage safe and stealing a cash-box containing £38.

Mrs. Hassan, a widow, was stated by counsel to have been influenced in the adventure by Scott, whom neighbours thought was her husband.

LENIENCY PLEA

Both were found "guilty," but a majority recommendation by the jury that Mrs. Hassan should be dealt with leniently was accepted by the Sheriff-Principal, who placed her on probation for a year.

Scott, who had six previous convictions, and was also found guilty of two other crimes committed while he was out on bail in connection with the safeblowing charge, was sentenced to two years' imprisonment. Mrs. Hassan broke down when the jury announced their verdict and was led from the court. Later she was granted permission to see Scott for a few minutes.

"SPARE TIME" women—wealthy holders of titles without professional or business experience—are still being put in charge of A.R.P. organisations throughout Britain despite protests made in the House of Commons and elsewhere.

Countesses and baronesses are not to be found in every provincial town, but "honourables" and wives of knights and baronets are heading the lists of appointments in many areas.

Trained women who play a leading part in local public affairs feel they are not being encouraged.

What is even more important, the vital organisation of women's service in civil defence is being handed over to untrained women.

Dr. Edith Summerskill, M.P. for Fulham, said: "When we pointed this out in the House we were told that these were the women who had time to spare—obviously an unsatisfactory explanation."

"Recruits are wanted from Labour women's organisations, but these won't come forward while officers are all appointed from the ranks of society women, many of whom have no training or qualification."

CHARMING GIRLS

"I was asked to encourage recruiting, but I replied that I could not do so until the whole thing was placed on a more democratic basis. Until this is done the movement cannot be successful."

"Women who find two or three Rolls-Royces outside recruiting offices and charming girls in expensive fur coats inside become suspicious. In fact they are more than suspicious, they are killing the movement by ridicule."

A prominent business woman in charge of a non-political women's organisation with several thousand members said: "I have just returned from a tour of the provinces where A.R.P. committees are being appointed."

"I found that the attitude of the authorities is: 'We must have the right class of people at the head of this.' I noticed that most of the women selected were very 'county' and I observed a 'high-class' atmosphere everywhere."

AVAILABLE

"The theory that titled women have a 'following' or a 'pull' over other women in the locality is a quarter of a century out of date. You will never get the mass of business and professional women to offer their precious leisure hours until they feel they will be organised by trained women."

"You cannot train for these key positions in six months. They need women with big administrative experiences over a number of years—women who have been in charge of staffs. These women are available, but they have no titles."

It is probable that women's organisations will protest to Sir John Anderson and ask him to receive a deputation.

EMPIRE NEWS

MANY BILLS FOR SOUTH AFRICA

Cape Town. The session of Parliament, which opened recently produced an exceptionally large crop of bills for debate. As the two short sessions in 1938 were mainly for financial business, Parliament has not dealt with a normal legislative programme since 1937.

CYPRUS

WARM WELCOME FOR NEW GOVERNOR

The appointment of Mr. W. D. Battershill, Chief Secretary, Palestine, as Governor of Cyprus will be warmly welcomed in the island.

High praise was heard in all quarters for Mr. Battershill's work in Cyprus between 1935 and 1937. The liveliest regrets were expressed at his transference to Palestine.

AIR TROPHY AWARDED BRITISH DESIGNER

The Auckland Citizens' Committee has awarded the £250 Musick Memorial Trophy to Mr. Arthur Gough, chief designer for Short Bros., for his success in the design of the Empire flying boat.

The Musick Memorial Trophy was established in memory of Capt. Edwin Musick, commander of the Pan-American flying boat Samson Clipper which crashed off the Samoan Islands in January last year. A Prize Worth Taking—Earl Beatty, speaking at a Navy League reception at Wellington, said: "Our position of weakness in this part of the Empire is something to be regarded with concern by those living here. Great Britain was not going to be knocked out. But if disaster should happen New Zealand would be a prize worth taking. He was not so sure that 'our little crowded island is worth all that'."

PERMANENT PERMITS FOR REFUGEES

SYDNEY. About 50 European refugee immigrants who have landed in Australia recently on provisional permits will in all probability be given permission to settle here permanently. They will be counted as part of Australia's quota of 15,000 refugees to be admitted as settlers the next three months.

The Minister for the Interior, Mr. McEwen, says that all the refugees to whom permits, temporary or permanent, have been granted at Australia House are of a most desirable type.

There have also been inquiries by capitalists in Germany, Austria and Czechoslovakia, many of them non-Jewish but disliking totalitarian methods of government, who desire to establish businesses here. Several prospective settlers of this type are now visiting Australia as tourists to inquire into their chances on the spot.

Tasman Air Service.—The Minister for Civil Aviation, Mr. Thorby, says that there is little chance of the air service from Sydney to New Zealand over the Tasman sea, being inaugurated before September or October.

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When Rich Steal It Is Kleptomania

KLEPTOMANIA was defined by Mr. Chuter Ede, M.P., recently as "a disease which only affects the wealthy classes."

"Why," he asked, "should a very wealthy woman who finds her visit to one of the West End stores an irresistible temptation to theft be provided with treatment which is usually asked for at the expense of the community?"

"This particular disease only apparently affects the wealthy classes and doctors cheerfully come forward and assert that the lady is suffering from it."

Mr. Chuter Ede was speaking at a meeting of a House of Commons Standing Committee which is considering the Government's Criminal Justice Bill.

RICH SHOULD PAY

Several other M.P.s urged that well-to-do offenders should pay for part of their treatment advised by the courts so that the cost did not all fall on the taxpayer.

Mr. Geoffrey Lloyd, Under-Secretary, Home Office, said the Bill provided that the expenses of treatment could be met from public funds and that rich people might be asked to contribute.

It would be wrong to deprive the court of the power to secure a contribution to, or the total expenses of, the treatment of well-to-do persons. Only those who could afford to pay would be asked to do so.

He gave an assurance that the Home Office would consider whether there might be some slightly different placing of the onus for the responsibility for payment.

Britain Buys U.S. A. A. Equipment

New York. Questioned recently on allegations that American secret anti-aircraft devices had been sold to the British Government, President Roosevelt revealed that there have been sales to Britain—but not of the latest type of apparatus.

He said the Sperry Gyroscope Company here, which manufactures anti-aircraft directors, has lately increased production, from one gun-director a month to one a day.

This, he added, was largely as a result of funds received from the sale to Britain of "anti-aircraft gun-directors of an older type."

He made it clear that these orders assisted the United States to increase facilities for the manufacture of a new type of director for the American Army.

"Don'ts" For Brides

Here are a few "don'ts" to be remembered by those who seek happy marriages given recently by Mrs. Henery Norman, barrister, in a lunch-hour address to business girls at Christ Church, Westminster.

Don't be afraid in the first place to get married.

Don't be afraid to put into marriage all that you can.

Don't ever make your husband feel that he comes second to the children.

And these things, she said, tend to break marriages.

Wide disparities of race and tastes (Look for a partner in one's own rank in life as far as possible.)

Wide disparity in age.

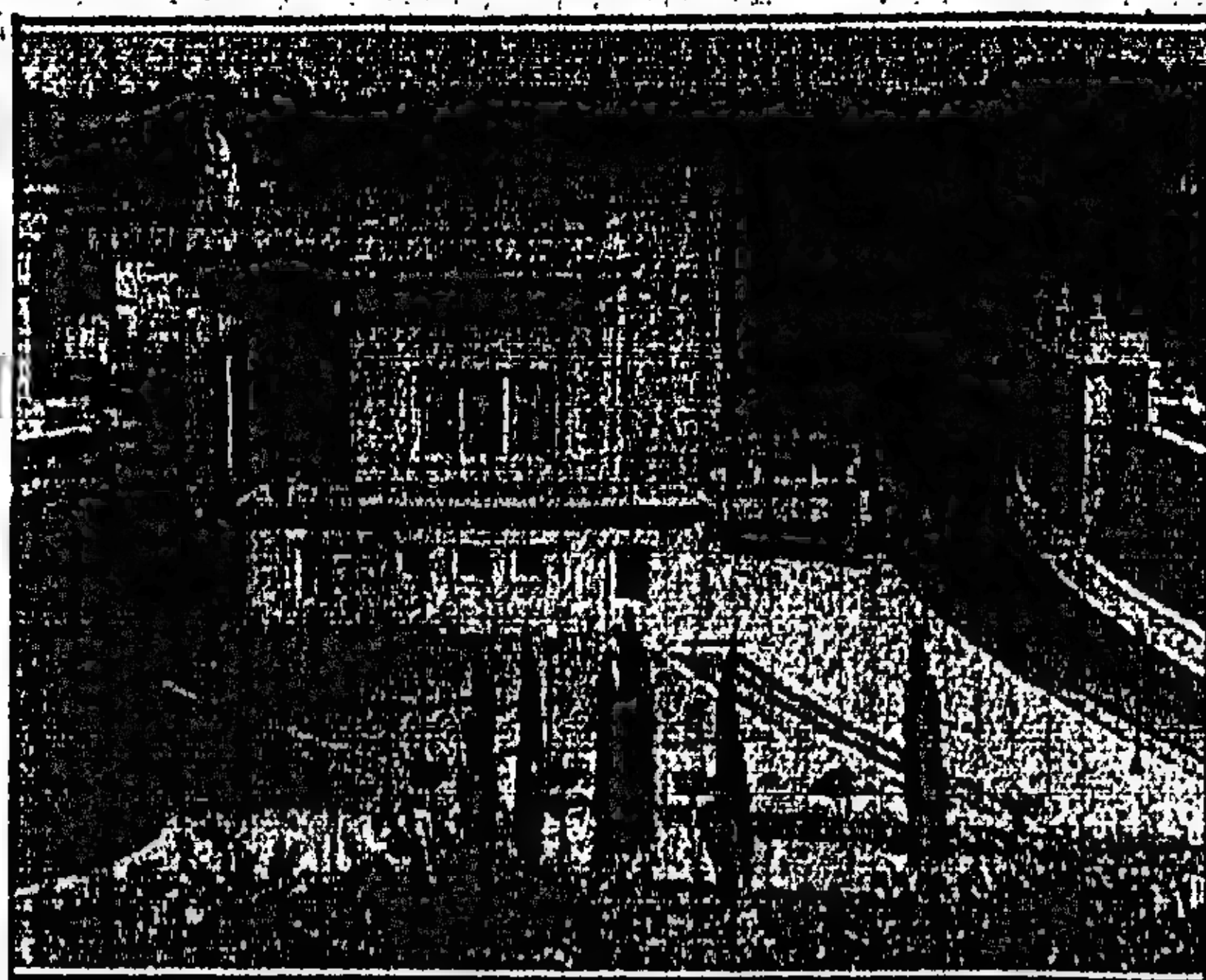
The modern idea of putting off having children till late in marriage or avoiding them altogether.

The wife persisting in going to work.

Mrs. Norman criticised the movement for husbands to pay their wives wages, saying it would lower the status of the woman in marriage.

"Poker Friend" False

REDDING, Cal. Verno Carleton not only believes that there are such things as "poker faces," but that there are also "poker friends." One of the latter induced him to enter a poker game on the inside tip that a third man in the game had \$38,000 which they could easily win by playing together. In three hands Carleton lost \$3,500. He told police.



Eyeglasses Illuminated

Leipzig. Ingenious illuminated eyeglasses, enabling the wearer to read or move about in the dark, have been demonstrated at the Leipzig Fair. The lenses are surrounded by tiny electric bulbs which act as a flashlight following the line of vision.

This view shows part of the gardens and some of the buildings in Vatican City, Italy, home of the Pope and world centre of the Roman Catholic church. Here Pope Pius XI died and here his successor was elected. In preparation for the conclave two or three floors were walled off in the Vatican palace, where the Cardinals were locked in until the new head was chosen. Vatican City, in Rome, is more than 13 acres in area.

Hymn Ms. Fetches £76

THE Englishman's favourite hymn, "Abide With Me," set down in the thin, slanting hand of Parson Lyte nearly 100 years ago, was sold at a London book auction recently for £76 to Lady Perry, wife of the chairman of the Ford Motor Company in England.

Lady Perry, fair-haired, wearing a round green hat, hurried outside to her car with the parson's notebook under her arm. Before she drove away she had a word with Miss Maxwell Lyte, great-granddaughter of the author of the hymn.

Miss Lyte said that she had not gone there to bid. But she was interested to know where the parson's notebook went to.

Mr. John Edmund Hodgson, the auctioneer, was perched on a rostrum above the "pound"—a U-shaped table for buyers.

'A BLUE FUNK'

Thin on top, brisk, Mr. Hodgson fingered a little mallet in his left hand. His first auction was in 1897, when he was only twenty-three. "I was in a blue funk" then—terribly nervous," he said.

To-day Mr. Hodgson is calm and businesslike. He wears a dark suit and a white collar above a striped shirt. In his right hand he keeps a fountain pen like a sixth finger.

Some of the audience nodded gently. A pound or two each nod. Lady Perry had the last word.

He offered the parson's notebook, and said that it contained the full eight verses of "Abide With Me."

Mr. Hodgson nodded gently. A pound or two each nod. Lady Perry had the last word.

Mr. Hodgson tapped his little mallet on the top of his oak desk. There is a dent where he and his father before him have sold 120 lots an hour.

A Hodgson was selling books at that desk when Parson Lyte looked from his window over Brixham Harbour and began to write his hymn.

The 1-2-3 Of Peace

Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, at a dinner of the British Iron and Steel Federation at Grosvenor House, London, recently, said:—

"THERE is an increasing feeling all over the country that the prospects of peace are becoming more secure."

"You feel this growing confidence in the atmosphere. It is influencing the City. It is giving more encouragement to traders."

Sir John said that the feeling was due:—

1. "To the knowledge that Britain is growing stronger every day and that we are prepared to shoulder any and every burden necessary to make us secure;

2. "To the close and warm understanding existing between this country and France;

3. "To our good relations with America;

4. "To the prospects of an early ending of the Spanish war without its having spread beyond the confines of Spain;

5. "And, above all, to the determination with which Mr. Chamberlain has pursued his policy of promoting a better understanding with other States, whatever their form of government may be, and to the coolness and firmness with which he has held to his course during recent months of anxiety."

THE TENSION HAS LIGHTENED

Mr. Oliver Stanley, President of the Board of Trade, said in the House of Commons.

"Certainly in the last few weeks there has been a lightening of tension which has been reflected almost instantaneously in the reports which I get on trade from various centres."

THEY WANT TO BUY IN BRITAIN

Mr. R. S. Hudson, Secretary for Overseas Trade, in a broadcast, said:—

"I have come across several signs lately which encourage me to believe that the setback business was suffering from most of last year is over."

"Nearly 35 per cent. more buyers have already told us that they are coming to the British Industries Fair this year than last year."

That shows, there is more confidence about in the world. Evidence by a large number of people abroad believe we are in for a period of peace."

AND WAGES ARE STILL GOING UP

Wages, after five consecutive years of increases—a record in itself—are still going up.

Last month there was an increase of £22,700 in the weekly full-time wages of 430,000 workers, and a decrease of £23,000 in those of 71,500 workpeople.

Breaks 30 Years' Silence

A VALET in the employ of C. E. Stannard, a Pennsylvania industrialist, has revealed himself as the one-time coachman whose marriage to the Dowager Countess Ravensworth stirred Edwardian society 35 years ago.

The countess died at her Hove (Sussex) home recently at the age of 93.

Two years after her romantic wedding to her handsome coachman, James Wadsworth—then 28 and 30 years her junior—the couple separated, according to Wadsworth, because of the opposition of his wife's family.

Wadsworth later went to America, and in 1909 the countess received notice of his death. A report appeared in several English newspapers.

The Pennsylvania valet states that the countess wanted to get him to marry, but he would not accept. He wanted her to keep her title.

'A WIDOW'

A friend of the countess said: "After the report of her husband's death, the countess never referred to him again. All her friends knew her as a widow."

Wadsworth, who is the son of an estate agent, had been coachman to the countess for only four months when they married early one morning at St. George's Church, Hanover-square.

After the ceremony he went back to his duties, and continued to live in the coaching mews without altering his style of living.

Concerning the wedding he once told a friend, "Her ladyship wished it, and I couldn't say no."

The countess was first married in 1872 to Captain Baker-Cresswell, who died in 1880. Six years later she married (as his second wife) the second Earl of Ravensworth, who died in 1903.

She was a granddaughter of the first Lord Deane, the famous Chief Justice of the King's Bench.

Terriers Angry Over 'Prison' Khaki

MEMBERS of the Territorial Army in West Riding want smarter uniforms.

They claim that the khaki used for making their uniforms would be more suitable for Sing-Sing.

Colonel E. W. Pickering, chief of the "Terriers," said: "It is our duty to see that whenever our men appear in public they should look smart and feel proud of what they wear."

"Men ought not to be turned out in the sort of forage caps which are now being issued."

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H.K. Stock Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning:

BANKS

H.K. Banks	1,350 sa.
H.K. Banks Ltd.	83 n.
Chartered	8 1/2
Overland	27 1/2
Overland	8 1/2
East Asia	80 n.

INSURANCES

Canal	225 n.
Union	470 sa.
China Underwriter	1 1/2 n.
H.K. Fire	105 n.

SHIPPING

Douglas	60 b.
Steamboats	16 n.
Indo-China	60 n.
Indo-China	24 n.
Shell Bearers	80 7/8 n.
Waterborts	5 n.

DOCKS ETC.

Wharves	118 1/2 n.
Docks	17.00 sa.
Providents (old)	5.00 sa.
Providents (new)	5.70 n.
New Eng. Sh.	6.00 n.
Shs. Docks, Sh.	105 n.

MINING

Kailan	17 1/2 n.
Raub	3.35 n.
Van:	3 n.
Goldfield	3 n.
Hongkong Mines	5 n.
Antumok	30 sa.
Atoks	30 1/2 sa.
Bangui Gold	20 sa.
Bangui Gold	12.60 sa.
Coco Grove	42 1/2 sa.
Con Mines	0.025 sa.
Demonstrations	14 sa.
I.L.L. Ps.	02 sa.
Gumaus	16 1/2 sa.
San Maurizio	1.02 sa.
Suyoc Consol	10 sa.
Paracales	00 sa.

LANDS

Hotels	0 n.
Lands	30 3/4
Lands 4% deb.	107 1/2
Shal Lands	0.10 n.
Humphreys	8.55 n.
H.K. Realities	2 1/2 n.
Chinese Estates	100 n.

UTILITIES

Trams	10 sa.
Peak Trams (old)	8 n.
Peak Trams (new)	4 n.
Star Ferries	67 1/2 n.
Y. Ferries (old)	25.30 n.
Y. Ferries (new)	24 n.
China Lights (old)	0.70 sa.
China Light (new)	5 1/2 n.
H.K. Electric	50.00 n.
Macao Electric	18 1/4 n.
Sandakan Lights	11.10 sa.
Telephones (old)	2.3 n.
Telephones (new)	7 1/4 n.
Traction	22 1/2 n.
Traction (Prof.)	23 1/2 n.

INDUSTRIAL

Cald. Macg. (ord.)	Sh. 14 n.
Cald. Macg. (Pre.)	Sh. 18 n.
Canton Ice	1 b.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that Vladimir Dmitriyevich Rumianzoff of 180, Austin Rd., Kowloon, Hong Kong, is applying to the Governor for naturalization, and that any person who knows any reason why naturalization should not be granted should send a written and signed statement of the facts to the Colonial Secretary, Hong Kong.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Offices of the Company, 2 Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on Monday, 27th March, 1939, at Noon, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1938.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from 16th to 27th March, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

E. COCK,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st March, 1939.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders

The Seventieth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Friday, the 24th March, 1939, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1938.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 16th to the 24th March, 1939, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.

General Managers,
The Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 3rd March, 1939.

THE HONGKONG & KOWLOON WHARF & GODOWN CO., LTD.

Notice to Shareholders

THE FIFTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. on THURSDAY, 23rd MARCH, 1939, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1938.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 13th March, 1939, to THURSDAY, the 23rd March, 1939, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

C. M. MANNERS,
Secretary and Manager.

Hongkong, 4th March, 1939.

LETTERS

To The Editor,
Hongkong Telegraph

Sir,—In order to alleviate distress among Chinese who have been made destitute on account of the troubled conditions in their country, considerable sums of money have been subscribed, mainly from British sources. A most disturbing story is being circulated that thousands of subscribed dollars have been spent in the purchase of German and other foreign products.

If this is the case, I suggest that people who may in future be asked to subscribe, might very well first ask for an assurance that their money would not find its way into the pockets of those who neither deserve, nor have any right to benefit.

Enquirer

Cements \$.....14 1/2 n.

H.K. Ropes \$.....4.10 n.

STORES, &c.

Dairy Farms \$.....24.00 sa.

Vitamins \$.....1.80 n.

Sincere \$.....8 n.

Lane Crawford \$.....44 b.

Wing On (H.K.) \$.....00 n.

Powell, Ltd. \$.....00 n.

COTTON MILLS

Ewo Sh. \$.....18 n.

Shai Cotton Sh. \$.....10 n.

Zong Singa, Sh. \$.....24 n.

Wing On Textile, Sh. \$.....40 n.

MISC.

H.K. Entertainments \$.....1.05 n.

Constructions \$.....1 1/2 n.

Zong Singa, Sh. \$.....24 n.

Vibro Piling \$.....7.20 n.

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H.K. Govt. Loan 3 1/2 % n.

Marsmans (Lond.) \$/.....18 n.

Marsmans (H.K.) \$/.....5/3 n.



A COUPLE THE WHOLE WORLD ADMIRES: One of the most recent photographs of Generalissimo and Madame Chiang Kai-shek, attending the "Other Gold" campaign at Chungking this month. Madame Chiang Kai-shek is now in Hongkong. She flew to the Colony with the Generalissimo's Australian adviser, Mr. W. H. Donald, for the purpose of receiving dental treatment here, and will return to Chungking within a few days.

CURRENCY BILL

BRITAIN'S AID FOR CHINA

How New Fund Will Be Operated

LONDON, Mar. 20.

MOVING THE second reading of the Chinese Currency Bill in the House of Commons to-day, Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, declared that while the total British trade with China was not a large percentage of total world trade, it was well worth preserving and assisting, especially because China has an immense population, and a small increase in purchases per head make an enormous difference.

The outbreak of hostilities was a severe test of the currency system adopted in 1935. The Chinese adopted very well devised technical measures, and Chinese abroad had supported their currency with remittances and subscriptions to the war loans.

Last year's currency had been carried through in orderly manner with the minimum of disturbance or undermining of confidence. "If the House supports this Bill, they can be assured of the reputation and tradition of the Chinese in this matter."

LABOUR SUPPORT
Mr. Peitch Lawrence (Lab.) supported the Bill because it provided an incentive to British trade, and particularly because it gave China definite support in the struggle against Japan. The time might come when the Government would do well to consider how far it could take other action to strengthen the Chinese and to prevent the Japanese attempt to obtain a stranglehold.

Mr. G. le M. Mander (Liberal) also supported the measure, but regretted that the Government was approaching the matter in a far too narrow spirit. He thought we should have to do much more to secure the free entry of British trade in that part of the world.

Mr. Mander hoped that the Government was actually carrying out one of the League's resolutions. Mr. R. J. Boothby (Cons.) only regretted that this assistance had not come sooner, and was not more substantial.

AMENDMENT MOVED
Mr. Ellis Smith (Lab.) moved the rejection of the Bill, arguing that it was impossible to check fluctuations unless a different political and economic policy was pursued by the Government in the Far East. He accused the Government of failing to take the lead in the humanitarian assistance of the Chinese people.

Major J. J. Astor (Cons.) hoped that the amendment would not be pressed. He said that nothing would hearten the Chinese Government and people more than that the House should pass the Bill unanimously.

Mr. W. A. Burke (Lab.) who represents a Lancashire constituency, said they had to be very thankful for any concession, however small, towards relieving the cotton trade, and helping them to maintain the markets they had got. He believed, however, that if there was a long war, Japan's struggles would really begin when the war was over. If the amendment was pressed, he would vote for the Government.

No division was taken and the Bill was given a second reading, while the accompanying money resolution was agreed to without discussion.

Reuter.

SEVERE EARTHQUAKE

Kyushu and Shikoku In Japan Rocked

Tokyo, Mar. 20.
A severe earthquake rocked a wide area of Japan including the central part of the main island, Kyushu and Shikoku at 12.23 o'clock this afternoon.

The strongest shock was felt in Miyazaki, Oita and Mumamoto Prefectures in Kyushu. At the city of Miyazaki chimneys toppled down, electric wires were snapped and window-panes were shattered.

According to an announcement by the Central Meteorological Observatory, the epicentre was located in the Uga Sea between Shikoku and Kyushu.—Domei.

An assurance that was the purpose of the measure.

Mr. Bellenger asked whether the fund would be operated in co-operation with the United States and France, similarly to the tripartite agreement.

Sir John Simon replied that in different forms efforts to assist the financial situation in China had been made by other governments. For example, the American Government had been purchasing considerable quantities of silver, but as far as this particular proposal was concerned, he must ask the House to accept it as our contribution.

STABLE CURRENCY
Captain Euan Wallace, replying to the debate, said that the Opposition speakers had admitted the sum of £10,000,000 to be very effective for the purpose. It also had been recognised in the debate that the Chinese currency was not at present tottering. It had been stable for some time, and was very well supported from inside.

Denying the suggestion that this was a proposal to unpropriate private banks, Captain Wallace said that the reason they were asked to accept these four banks in the management of the fund was because they were able to dispose of an immense amount of ability and experience in this particular job, and they also had the great merit of being on the spot.

Whatever the Government might or might not have done in the past to help the Chinese, there was not the slightest doubt that the Bill would be a distinct and a very great help to China. He hoped the Bill would receive a unanimous second reading, because this would have a considerable psychological effect on China.

HONGKONG TO OPERATE FUND
Captain Wallace, referring to the Japanese currency plan in North China, and the British Government's policy, said that the plan was perhaps what more comforting was that those best qualified to judge, were inclined to think that the plan in practice would break down. If an attempt was made to alter the dollar rate from 95 to 12, the immediate result seemed likely to be the complete cessation of export trade, and it seemed that the Chinese legal tender would continue in circulation everywhere except in the towns and along the railways where Japanese control was effective.

Captain Wallace stated that the place for the operation of the fund would be Hongkong, and that £10,000,000 would be subscribed immediately.

As far as this money was concerned, before it was required for the purchase of silver dollars, it would be invested in a safe and sound manner, and the interest on it made available to help the Chinese banks pay the interest due to the British banks. The interest of 2 1/2 per cent. was agreed for the present.

If the agreement was renewed after a year, a higher or lower rate of interest might be appropriate. The reason why an upward limit rate of interest had not been stated in the Bill was that the agreement might continue for a number of years, and they do not want to keep coming back to the House for authority," explained Captain Wallace.

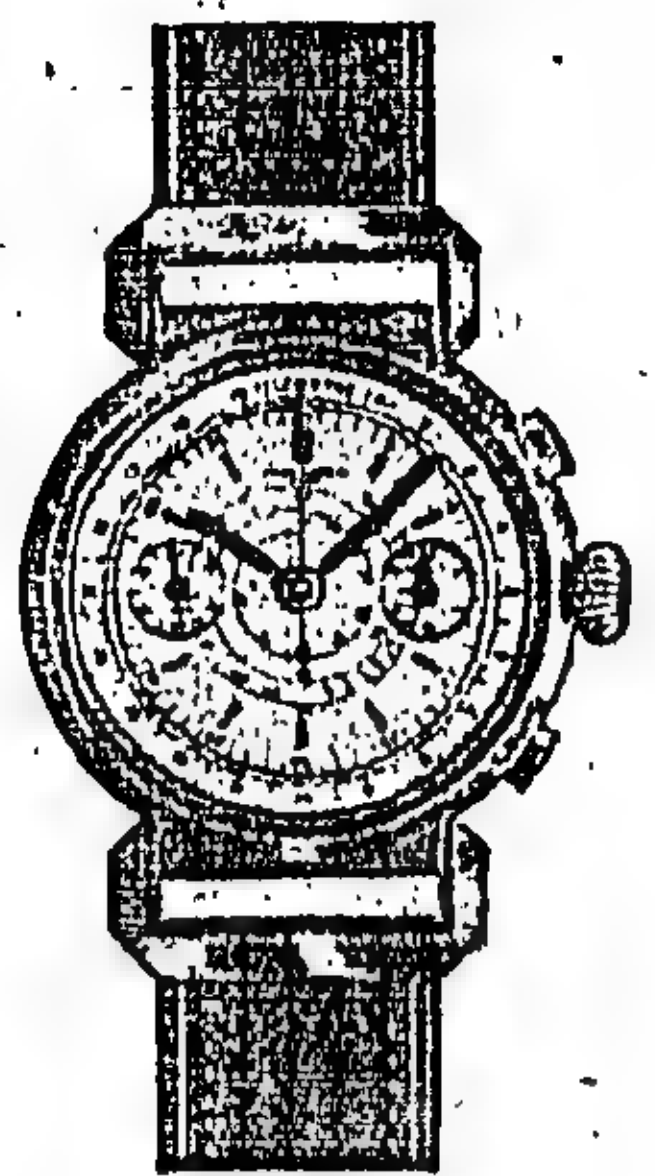
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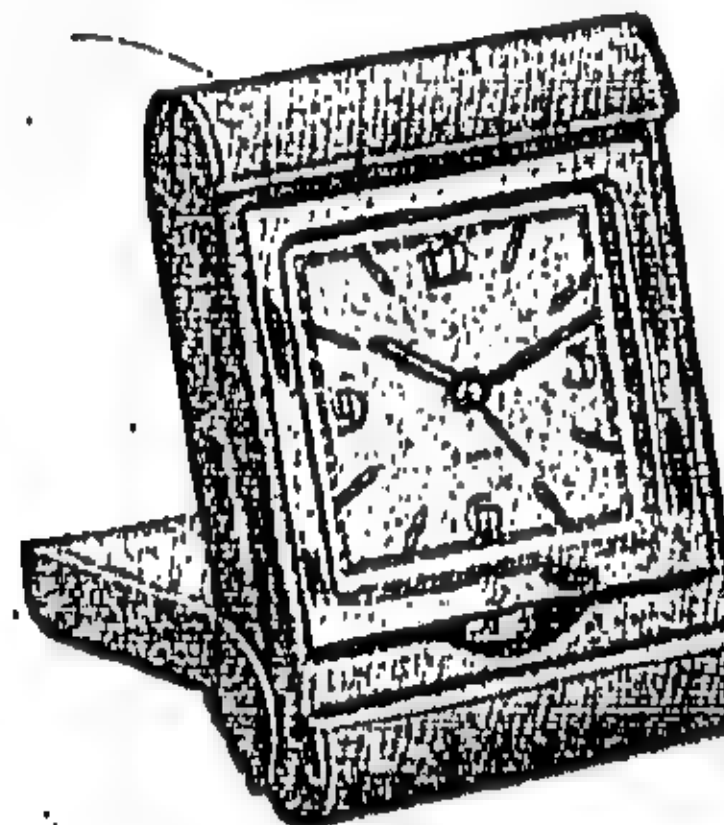
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FRANCIS I. du PONT & COMPANY REPORT BY CABLE:

STOCKS: The Swiss Franc to-day touched a new low level for the current year.

The Chairman of the Security & Exchange Commission, Mr. Douglas, has been nominated a member of the United States Supreme Court.

Baldwin Locomotive Works' February orders amounted to \$14,000,000, against \$2,000,000 in the corresponding month of last year.

EARNINGS: General Motors Corporation, quarter ended December 31st, \$1.44 per share, against \$0.92 for the corresponding quarter of 1938.

National Biscuits' first-quarter earnings are estimated at \$0.40 per share.

COTTON: German orders have been refused at Lancashire. Senator George has introduced a resolution prohibiting the sale of American cotton abroad below production cost.

RUBBER: The Tin and Rubber Committees are reported to be planning to hold meetings in New York in June for the purpose of closer contact with American consumers.

TIN: The market is vulnerable on any clearing of the European political atmosphere.

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12.00-12.20 p.m. Relays of Service of Intercession from St. John's Cathedral.

12.30 Tiana Lemnitz, (Soprano). The Marriage of Figaro—"Vanished are Ye."

12.34 Mozart—Concerto in E Flat Major.

Arthur and Karl Schnabel with the London Symphony Orchestra conducted by Sir Adrian Boult.

1.00 Time and Weather.

1.03 Aldershot Command Searchlight Tattoo 1939.

Massed Bands of the Aldershot Command.

1.15 Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather and Announcements.

1.30 Dance Music.

Fox Trois A Fine Romance: The Way You Look Tonight... Ambrose and His Orchestra; You... Maurice Winnick and His Orchestra.

1.40 Relay of Rotary Speech from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

Professor L. Foster—"America—some Impressions."

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 p.m. Relay of the Dance Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

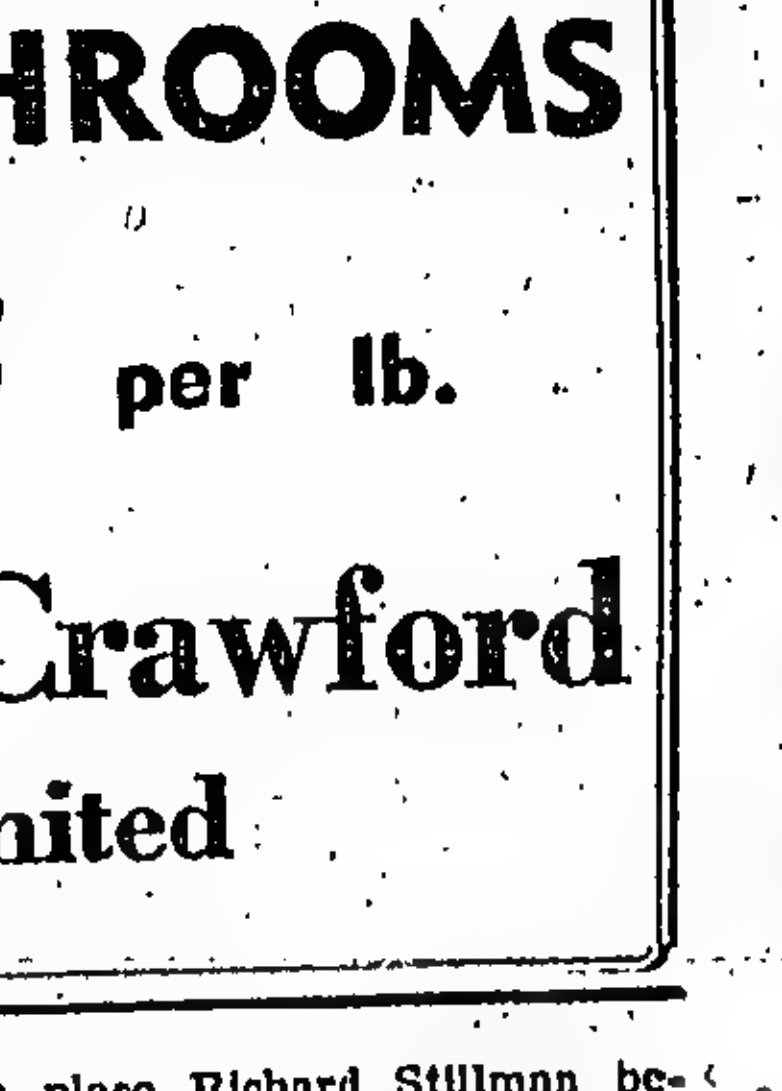
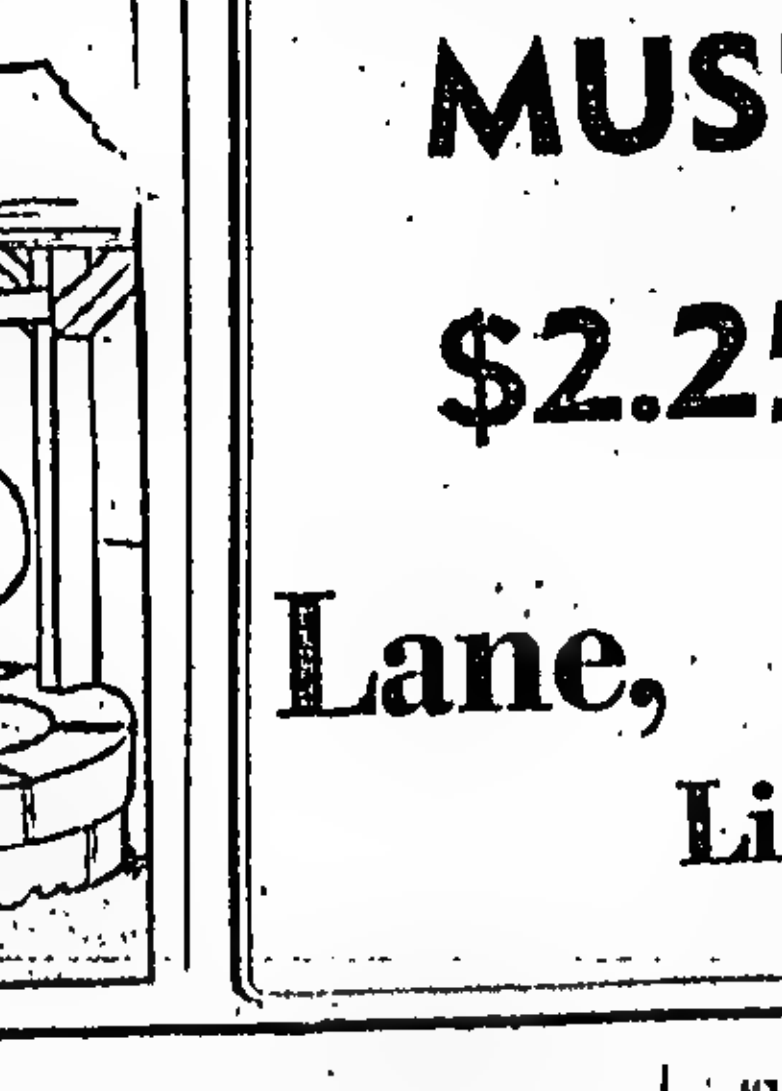
(a) There's a Far away look in your eye; (b) When the Heather is in Bloom; (c) Star Dust; (d) Swing Low Sweet Chariot. Record. Some of These Days; After You've Gone... Coleman Hawkins Saxophone Tenor.

(a) Believe Me; (b) Liza; (c) It's Wonderful; (d) Caravan; Records. May White Blues; Gerry Building... Gerry Moore (Piano); Popular Selection. Intro—After the Ball, Swanee, Forget Me Not, Daisy... Cor Steyer (Organ).

10.00 London Relay—"The City of London."

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THE CITIZEN A.J. CRONIN



INFLUENCED BY the example of his class-mate, Dr. Parker, Andrew went to London and opened an office in a cheap neighbourhood in Paddington.

Patients seldom came and it soon became a problem to raise the money to pay their bill at a nearby delicatessen run by a Mr. Schmidt and his wife. They were quiet and friendly and soon came to take a special interest in the struggling new doctor and his attractive young wife, even sending them an occasional patient to have a boil lanced, an ingrowing toenail treated or ears pierced for ear-rings. And the Schmidts were always willing to wait for payment of their bill.

Andrew grew discouraged at the few patients and the meagreness of his income. "Be patient, darling," counselled Christine. "Who was it wanted to come here—to be surrounded by humanity—to work for fees instead of a salary and become the best doctor in London?"

AND THEN one day a breathless girl arrived at his door asking him to come with her at once, to Laurier's dress shop around the corner.

It proved a momentous visit for Andrew. In the dress show room of the fashionable shop a young woman was lying on the floor, rigid, convulsed, strange growling noises issuing from her throat.

The employees were crowded about her. Andrew ordered them from the room, all except a woman addressed as Mrs. Thornton, whom he understood to be the sister of the patient. Picking the woman up in his arms, Andrew placed her in a chair and gave her a resounding smack across the cheek. She stopped making the growling noises and her rolling eyes steadied themselves into a pained stare at his face.

MRS. THORNTON was insistent, and Topsy gave him a pleading look, so he went up to the apartment. There Andrew ordered her to bed and suggested that they call their own doctor if anything more was needed.

"But why won't you look after me?" asked Topsy petulantly. "I hate my doctor, always telling me not to drink or smoke."

"I should give you exactly the same advice," said Andrew, "but I mightn't mind it so much from you."

He took his leave, but Mrs. Thornton accompanied him into the hallway. She studied him a moment, and then asked: "Are you anxious to make a success as a doctor?"

"But, of course," he replied, embarrassed.

"Then take a woman's advice and see a good tailor. And don't give up your line of treatment on any account. I foresee you making it a crashing success."

In the lobby he ran into Freddie Parker. After mutual greetings, and Dr. Parker's surprise at seeing Andrew in London had subsided, Parker asked: "Who's your patient?"

of my old clothes! I'll show those smooth doctors a few things!"

FROM THAT time on a great change came over the idealistic youth that Andrew Manson had been. He followed Mrs. Thornton's advice and patronized a fashionable tailor.

He sent cases to Freddie Parker. To Dr. Ivory and the other doctors to whom Freddie had introduced him. He accepted his cut in the big fees they exacted; money came in fast enough so that he soon leased a new office in fashionable Harley Street.

Topsy LeRoy helped him choose the decorations and the hangings, for he was now her regular doctor. Her father, the patent food king, was grateful to Andrew for what he had done for his daughter; he was the first doctor whose advice she had ever heeded.

Mrs. Thornton called him to attend her daughter for a bad knock on her foot sustained in playing hockey. Unhesitatingly, he advised that the girl be sent to Dr. Ivory.

Dr. Ivory and Freddie Parker put him up for their golf club, and later proposed him for the Sackville Club where he would meet many wealthy prospective patients. His fees, he said, would soon far exceed the club dues.

It was one day while Topsy was at his new office about the hangings that she invited him to have dinner with her, without mentioning that she was a doctor's daughter.

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That night Andrew had dinner with Topsy LeRoy and a group of her friends at the Embassy Club. The papers on the following day carried portraits of Topsy and a list of her guests.

Christine, smartly dressed, in the modernistic sitting room of their fashionable apartment, glancing at the news saw Topsy's picture and the name of Andrew as one of the guests.

She sat for a moment, stunned, and tears came into her eyes. After a time she got up and walked purposely into the hall and picked up the telephone but before she could call the number she had in mind she heard a key turning in the door lock.

She turned to face Andrew as he entered. He called a nonchalant hello, and Christine, as though suddenly making up her mind, indicated the telephone.

"Miss LeRoy just called." "Really? What did she want?" "To talk to you."

Andrew was very casual. "Warried about her treatments, I suspect. Oh, her father offered me a job to act as consultant for Cremo products."

"Why, only last week you said Cremo was worthless!" "It's as good a way of taking skinned milk as any," shrugged Andrew, taking her arm and leading her to the window. "I have a surprise for you. See that car? Smart, isn't it?"

"Ours?" cried Christine excitedly. At his nod she said, "It's lovely." "Let's take a ride," Andrew suggested.

THE DOOR BELL rang as Christine was putting on her hat. Andrew opened the door to find Philip Denny confronting him.

"Denny!" he cried, and they fell into each other's arms. "Come in! Come in! Where have you been?" "Doing sixteen operations a day in the alums of Leeds! Why, Christine, you are prettier than ever!"

He grabbed her by the arms and looked at her, and then about the apartment. "This is a very grand place, Dr. Manson, isn't it?" "The prosperous Dr. Manson," said Andrew, "and he prescribes a drink."

"Sorry, I'm a regular lime-juicer. Surgery and alcohol don't mix." "I've been waiting to say something to you for a long time," said Andrew, "but I couldn't find a chance to do so."

"I can wait. See that new Vitesse down there? We're just going to try it. Come along." "A new Vitesse? You don't sound like the bloke who helped me blow up that sewer."

Andrew grinned. "How are you going to cure all these wrongs?" "By starting a clinic," said Denny in a rush of eager words. "A genuine team of doctors. I'll handle surgery. I have a bacteriologist, an eye, ear and nose specialist and internal medicine man, all lined up and crazy to get started."

Andrew cocked an eye. "And where's the money coming from?" "We start out with groups of people, charge them a monthly fee—enough for us to live on—"

"Oh, you'll never make that work." "It's working in Los Angeles right now. The Medical Council will fight it."

"Of course it will! The other doctors will try to lynch us. But we'll lick them. That's why I want to start it here in London, where the fight will be hardest. We'll get a hospital of our own—a small one at first, but for once the patient will come before the doctor."

"Well, I hope you put it over," said Andrew, disinterestedly. "I need you, too, Andrew, for chest work. That's why I've come."

"But look, Denny, I've got a grand practice. I can't just throw it away. We've had too hard a time. But still Denny was deeply hurt, but still he didn't say a word more."

"But how can it? Ah, here comes Mrs. Schmidt with the borish and chicken paprika."

DENNY HAD very little to say during the rest of the time they were together, and soon made an excuse to get away.

Andrew took Christine for a ride in the Vitesse to Hampstead Heath in the following afternoon. They got out of the car and sat on a grassy knoll in silence.

"After a time Christine said softly: 'I'm sorry you had dinner with Miss LeRoy. I read about the dinner in the papers.'"

"Oh, well, I thought you might be hurt that she hadn't asked you. 'Where you hurt that she didn't ask me?'"

Andrew was plainly irritated. "Look here, Chris; it was purely business with me—a chance to meet people. So let's drop it."

"Yesterday Denny said you used to look on medicine as an attack on the unknown, a uphill struggle to take some enemy you couldn't see."

"You have no right to attend this patient without my approval! I'll have you up before the Medical Council, sir!"

"Get out of my way," said Andrew, who took Mr. Schmidt up in his arms and strode out followed by Mrs. Schmidt.

"Very unfortunate," said Dr. Ivory, "though it was a shock. Sorry, Manson, these accident cases are always difficult."

"Stop talking!" blazed Andrew in a sudden outburst of anger and bitterness. "You know you killed him. You're not a surgeon. You're the worst butcher I've ever seen."

"I can't recommend that line of talk, Manson."

"I assure you don't! It's the truth. There was nothing difficult about this. But you dabbled along with incompetence, and let him die. You bungled so much it wasn't surgery, it was murder!"

"You hysterical fool! You'll be heard!"

ANDREW turned and left the stunned emotion in a daze of where he was going.

Ultimately he found himself in front of the Sherrington Nursing Home. He went in and ordered all of his patients discharged at once.

Topsy LeRoy, in expensive negligee, under a sun-lamp, he personally discharged with a brutal: "I want you to get out of here. You're perfectly healthy. We only brought you here to get money out of you!"

An honest doctor! exclaimed the young woman, under-struck. "Andrew! Andrew! Don't go!"

But he was already gone. At the hospital door he met Mrs. Schmidt. Her worried, pleading look told him she had come to him for help.

He asked where Mr. Schmidt was. Learning it was Victoria Hospital he said: "Come with me," and strode out.

He rode roughshod over the head nurse at Victoria Hospital and hurried to Mr. Schmidt's bed in the ward and made a quick examination.

"That lung should have been drained days ago. If it isn't done he'll die at once. He'll be all right, Mrs. Schmidt, once we get him out of this stinking hole."

"Whatever you say, Doctor," said Mrs. Schmidt in simple faith.

WARNED by the head nurse, Dr. Thoroughgood hurried in, pompous and spluttering in wrath, as Andrew and Mrs. Schmidt were getting her husband ready for removal.

"You place Richard Stillman beside such men?" scoffed Boon. "I do. He's done more against tuberculosis than any man living in this country. Those others are great now because they are dead. They knew heartbreak, the ridicule and hatred of this profession."

"Vichow laughed at Koch—abuse men like Spahlinger and Stillman, who may do more for medicine than thousands of men with high degrees."

There are many great doctors practising fairly, but too many go in for useless money-chasing. "As a whole, the profession is intolerant and smug. We say well, for things but we don't regret them. But I made no mistake with Richard Stillman. Look at this patient. If you want any justification for my infamous conduct, there it is."

AFTER HIS spirited defence, it did not take the Medical Council long to clear Andrew of the charge against him.

Christine, her eyes moist with happiness, showed Andrew a copy of the plans for Stillman's clinic.

"I saw Sir Herbert Cranston this morning, Andrew, and he approved of the plans. And he'll furnish all the money we can't put up. And he likes the name."

"The name?" questioned Andrew. "The Philip Denny Memorial Clinic."

Andrew looked at his wife, a smile of joy on his face, the light on battle in his eyes, ready again to attack the unknown citadel.

SUICIDE ATTEMPTS

Heroin, Opium And The Harbour

Three Chinese attempted to end their lives by taking poison on Sunday, and were removed to hospitals. Chin Heng who took a dose of heroin, was found lying on the floor of his cubicle by other inmates of the flat. He was rushed to the Queen Mary Hospital.

After drinking some lysol Wah Fung-ling, a woman, was taken to the same hospital.

Kan Chin was conveyed to the Kowloon Hospital, suffering from opium poisoning.

JUMPED INTO HARBOUR About 11 p.m. on Saturday a 53-year-old widow, Mak Lai-tong, jumped into the harbour from the ferry Man Sing, while it was proceeding from Yau-mai to Hongkong. Her body had not been found, but her handbag was later found on the launch.

MERCANTILE BANK

At the annual general meeting of shareholders of the Mercantile Bank of India Ltd. held recently in London, a final dividend of 8% on the "A," "B" and "C" shares was recommended (making 12% for the year less Income Tax), that £20,000 be written off landed and house property, £30,000 be added to the Contingency account, and £177,770 carried forward to the 1939 account.

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Another Gateway?

MEMEL is hardly another Czechoslovakia. But developments there are reminiscent of those which followed National-Socialist organisation both in Austria and in Moravia and Bohemia: increasing German pressure within, tacit support for that pressure from without, and increased difficulty for the governing State—in this case Lithuania—in maintaining law and order in the politically besieged territory.

Yet the position of Memel has always been less settled than it seemed, that of Czechoslovakia. Memel's population is preponderantly German. The territory was separated from East Prussia after the Great War and placed under the Council of Allied Ambassadors, but was forcibly seized by the Lithuanians in 1923. In 1924 Memel was recognised by League of Nations members as part of Lithuania.

Indeed, a Polish seizure of Lithuanian territory had earlier been accepted by the League. Thus in this part of the European counterpane the patchwork has not been considered so firmly fixed as elsewhere. For some years, indeed, it has seemed to be only pasted down. Long after the Lithuanian seizure of Memel the inhabitants of that territory displayed unrest.

The ascendancy of National Socialism in Germany has intensified the sense of grievance among the German people under Lithuanian rule, as it has among whatever German minorities used as spearheads for Hitler's programme of territorial expansion in Europe. The increasing Nazification of German leaders in Memel, coupled with the declaration on Saturday by Dr. Neumann, the local "Fuehrer," that far-reaching changes were impending, point to developments which may parallel those that took place earlier last week in Bohemia and Moravia.

It is noteworthy, if this is the case, that the German expansionists are looking northward along the Baltic as well as eastward towards the Ukraine.

"He who wants to live must fight"

Q. "What are your views on the French-Italian quarrel over Tunis and Corsica?"

A. "Italy's future will always be conditioned by a development which centres geographically round the Mediterranean. Every further strengthening of France on the Continent means an impediment for Italy in the future."

"One should never make the mistake of thinking that family ties between peoples can in any way exclude rivalries." (p. 700.)

Q. "There is much interest now in your drive in the Balkans. Do you believe in peaceful, economic penetration as a policy?"

A. "The talk of 'peaceful economic conquest' of the world was probably the greatest nonsense ever made the guiding principle of a State's policy. 'No people have better prepared its economic conquests with greater brutality by the sword and later defended them without regard for any one, than England.' (p. 158.)

Q. "Why did you choose Italy as an ally?"

A. "In Europe there exist only two possible allies for Germany: England and Italy." (p. 705.)

"The destinies of peoples are forged firmly together only by the prospect of common success in the sense of common acquisitions, conquests; in short, of an extension of both parties' power." (p. 697.)

Q. "What do you think of your ally, Mussolini?"

A. "The skill of a leading statesman is shown in the fact that—for the achievement of his own needs at certain periods—he always finds those partners who must follow the same path for the protection of their own interests." (p. 698.)

Q. "What is the purpose of the Rome-Berlin axis?"

A. "An alliance whose object does not include the purpose of making war is senseless and worthless. One makes alliances only for conflict."

"The conflict may lie as far ahead as you like at the time of concluding the alliance; but none the less the prospect of a warlike embroilment is the inner inducement to it." (p. 749.)

Q. "What do you think of the Franco-British Entente?"

A. "Germany's alliance would enable her to carry on undisturbed with those preparations which... must be made for setting accounts with France. The most important thing about such an alliance lies in the fact that the hostile alliance falls to bits and the Entente, which we have to thank for so much calamity, is dissolved and thus the deadly enemy of our people, France, falls victim to isolation." (p. 755.)

Q. "You have enlarged the Berlin-Rome axis into the Rome-Berlin-Tokyo triangle. What is your real opinion of alliances between Europeans and Orientals?"

A. "One greedily seizes the yellow hand and embraces an alliance which, from a racial point of view, is perhaps irresponsible." (p. 722. Context: Hitler is discussing the Anglo-Japanese Alliance.)

Q. "What is your opinion on your allies, the Japanese?"

A. "The basis of actual life is no longer the special Japanese culture, although that settles the colour of its life, but the mighty scientific and technical work of Europe and America, Aryan peoples. (p. 818.)

"If all further Aryan influence on Japan were to cease from today, the advance of Japan in knowledge and science could continue for a short time still. But in a few years the spring would dry up, the Japanese characteristics win the upper hand, while the present culture would become rigid and sink again back into the sleep from which it was aroused seven generations ago by the wave of Aryan culture. One can describe such a race as a 'culture-carrier' but never as a 'culture-creator.' (p. 319.)

Q. "You extended the hand of friendship to Mr. Chamberlain and M. Daladier at Munich. What is your real opinion of democratic leaders?"

A. "Democracy excludes personality—and puts in its place the majority of stupidity, incapability and cowardice. (p. 347.)

"Granting all the limitations and spiritual inferiority of these parliamentary medicine-men of the white race, they cannot themselves seriously imagine they can, following the path of a Western democracy, fight against a doctrine (Communism) for which democracy is a means to an end." (p. 412.)

Q. "But you have made non-aggression pacts with the two Western democracies, Britain and France. What do you think of democracy, then?"

A. "The democracy of the present-day Western world is the forerunner of Marxism, which, without democracy, would hardly be thinkable. 'Democracy first gives to this world the ground for nourishing itself on which then this plague can extend itself.' (p. 85.)

Q. "As you say you want peace, I should be interested to know your definition of a pacifist."

A. "The pacifist, by completely surrendering himself to his idea, subjectively, will always first seek the objective right however unjustly and severely his people is threatened, and will never join the ranks of his herd out of pure instinct of self-preservation and fight with them." (p. 122.)

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Third day of "I ASKED HITLER QUESTIONS" . . .

In which questions, asked by an interpreter, are answered from Hitler's best seller—"MEIN KAMPF" ("My Struggle"). The answers are taken from an unexpurgated copy of the book—an edition issued for Storm Troopers. Page references here at the end of paragraphs refer to this edition.

Q. "Supposing a better Fuehrer than you turned up. Would you give him your job?"

A. "The Fuehrer of the whole party is elected in a general meeting of members according to the rules of the party. He is the exclusive Fuehrer of the movement... He carries all responsibility on his shoulders."

"The members of a movement are always free to call him to account before the forum of a new election, and to deprive him of his office in so far as he has conflicted with the principles of the movement or served its interests badly. In his place then steps the new man, the one who can do better, with equal authority and equal responsibility." (p. 379.)

Q. "Why did you seize Austria and Czechoslovakia? In order to help the people or possess the territory?"

A. "German Austria must return to the great German motherland, and not for any economic reasons. No, no. Even if this uniting were damaging from an economic point of view, even so it would have to come about."

"Common blood belongs to a common Reich." (p. 1.)

Q. "What is the basis of your power?"

A. "The first foundation for building authority is always popularity. However, an authority which is based on this foundation alone is still extremely weak, unsure and variable... In might, in force, we see the second foundation of every authority... If popularity and force are combined and can last over a certain time, then an authority based on still firmer foundation can arise, the authority of tradition. When, finally, popularity, force and tradition are combined, an authority can be regarded as unshakable." (p. 379.)

Q. "You educate boys and girls up to be nothing but military machines. What good do you really think can come of this for the world?"

A. "The child... fortified by confidence in his own strength, gripped by the power of commonly-felt team-spirit, must win the conviction of the invincibility of his people... The National State must conduct boys' and girls' education from the same point of view. In the case of girls, also, chief importance must be given to physical education, only later to the improvement of their spiritual and intellectual values." (p. 460.)

"The National State must start from the principle that in the community it is more valuable to have a perhaps intellectually less developed, but physically sound creature with good, firm character, filled with decisiveness and will-power, than a talented weakling."

"A people of learned men, if these are physically degenerate, weak-willed and cowardly pacifists, will not conquer the skies, and will not even be able to secure its existence on this earth." (p. 452.)

"Education must be modelled on such a plan that when a child leaves school he is not a semi-pacifist, democrat or something, but a whole German." (p. 474.)

Q. "Do you mean all you wrote in 'Mein Kampf'?"

A. "If a doctrine is actually right in its general lines it is less harmful to stick to one version of it, even if it should no longer quite conform to the reality, than by—improving it—to expose a principle (hitherto taken as one of the granite bases of the movement) to general discussion with its most evil consequences... For how can you expect to fill people with blind faith in the rightness of a doctrine when by constantly altering its external structure you create uncertainty and doubt?" (p. 512.)

"A movement... must not venture to make concessions to whatever the spirit of the time is in formulating its programme, but must for always keep to a form it has found suitable in all events until victory has crowned it." (p. 513.)

Q. "Do you think you can govern Germany for ever by force?"

A. "In the long run systems of government are not preserved by the pressure of force, but by the belief in their goodness and their honesty in representing and furthering the interests of people." (p. 809.)

Q. "If you are a dictator why do you bother to keep the Reichstag, semblance of parliament?"

A. "Parliaments in themselves are necessary because in them a chance to rise slowly is given to men to whom later responsible tasks can be entrusted." (p. 501.)

BUDDHA TO GO BACK

YEARS ago, a British tradesman wandering in a remote part of Burma, took from a temple, a statue of the Buddha.

He took it home with him to England and for a long time it reposed on the mantelpiece of his home in Lancashire.

Now the man has died and his relatives are anxious that the image shall be restored to its rightful place in the temple.

The Burmese Government has been informed, and search is being made for the temple from which the image was taken.

Lord Halifax's Revelations to Peers HORROR OF SWIFT AIR BOMBARDMENT

RUMOURS THAT THE CZECH GOVERNMENT HAD CAPITULATED TO A BLOODLESS OCCUPATION BECAUSE HERR HITLER HAD THREATENED AN IMMEDIATE AND HORRIFYING AIR BOMBARDMENT OF PRAGUE AND OTHER CITIES ARE NOW SEEMINGLY CONFIRMED.

In the House of Lords yesterday, the Foreign Secretary said that it was most probable that the Czechs had been presented with an ultimatum on these lines.

It was difficult to avoid the conclusion, he declared, that the bulk of the incidents that occurred before the German invasion were deliberately evoked, and their effects greatly magnified.

German troops occupied two towns on the evening of March 14 while the Czech President was en route to Berlin for the fateful conference with Hitler.

NO PARTY DIFFERENCES

In face of the grave issues with which Britain is concerned party differences seem to disappear, declared Viscount Halifax amidst cheers when making a statement in the House of Lords last night.

"It is quite true," he continued, "that recent events have been a profound shock to all thinking people in this country, and far outside of it."

OCCUPATION OF VILLAGES

"Surely it is not without significance that two towns were occupied by German S.S. detachments on the evening of March 14 while the President and Foreign Minister of Czechoslovakia were still on their way to Herr Hitler, and before any discussion had taken place."

Dealing with Herr Hitler's proclamation declaring the former Czech territory to be under German protection, Viscount Halifax said:

"It should be noted that while the head of the administration now to be set up is said to hold the rank of head of the State, and while the protectorate is said to be autonomous and self-governing, there is to be a resident in Prague with full powers to veto legislation."

MILITARY GARRISONS

"Foreign affairs, and the protection of nationals abroad devolve on the German Government which will maintain military garrisons and establishments in the protectorate."

"The protectorate is bound to Germany by a customs union, and the German Government can issue decrees and take any measures for the preservation of peace and order."

"As a result of these several actions the dismemberment of Czechoslovakia may therefore be said now to be complete."

Dealing with the grounds on which the German Government had taken the decision, Viscount Halifax said: "I find it impossible to believe that the sudden decision of certain Slovak leaders to break off from Prague was reached independently of outside influence."

After giving a further narrative of the events, Viscount Halifax declared: "It is difficult to avoid the conclusion that the bulk of the incidents that occurred before the German invasion were deliberately evoked, and their effects greatly magnified."

Lord Halifax continued: "It is not necessary to say about the assertion that the Czech President freely assented to the subjugation of his people."

SWIFT AIR BOMBARDMENT

"In view of the circumstances in which he went to Berlin, and of the occupation of parts of Czechoslovakia which had already taken place, the most sensible people would conclude that there was little chance of negotiation; that it was more probable that Czechs were presented with an ultimatum under the threat of violence, and they capitulated in order to save their people from the horrors of a swift, destructive aerial bombardment."

Viscount Halifax maintained that the plea that Germany is in some danger from Czechoslovakia could not be seriously maintained in any quarter, and he added: "I could wish instead that the explanations which have been issued and which carry scant conviction, that the German superior force had been frankly acknowledged as the supreme arbiter, that in fact it was."

BRITISH ACTION

"In these circumstances, His Majesty's Government thought it fit immediately to take certain action."

Viscount Halifax then referred to the immediate suspension of the visit of Mr. Oliver Stanley and Mr. R. S. Hudson to Berlin, adding:

"Although it had been hoped His Majesty's Government could directly intervene in those unofficial contacts of industrial representatives that were taking place at that very moment, we felt, and still feel, that in the circumstances, any development of our efforts in that direction was frankly out of the question, and that, and many other things had to be, and must remain, indefinitely postponed."

MUNICH PURPOSES

There were two purposes to the Munich settlement. First, to effect a settlement as fair as might be in all the extremely difficult circumstances at the time of the problem, which was a real one, and for which treatment was an urgent necessity if the peace of Europe was to be preserved. I have no doubt whatever that the Government was right in the light of all the information available to take the course it did (Cheers).

SECURITY FOR EUROPE

"The second purpose was to bring more security for the people of



LORD HALIFAX

Europe on the basis of freely accepted consultation as a means whereby all future differences might be adjusted. That long-term purpose has been, as we can all observe, disastrously belied by events.

As to the charge of too readily believing Herr Hitler's assurances, neither the Premier nor myself have failed to be acutely conscious of the difference between beliefs and hopes; we have always acted with the knowledge that only with time can hopes be converted into sure beliefs.

Turning to Herr Hitler's actions, Viscount Halifax said: "In his actions, until after Munich, a case could be made that Hitler has been true to his own principles—the exclusion of non-Germans from the Reich, etc.—principles which he has now overthrown."

"In the inclusion of 8,000,000 Czechs under the German Reich, he surely has not been true to his old philosophy."

RUDELY CONTRADICTED

Viscount Halifax recalled that Herr Hitler in September last appealed for the principle of self-determination. That principle had now been rudely contradicted by a sequence of acts which deny the very right on which the German attitude was based.

"Whatever is true about the treatment of 25,000 Germans, it is impossible to believe that it could only be remedied by the subjugation of 8,000,000 Czechs."

"Are we to believe that German policy has entered a new phase directed at the domination of all non-German peoples? Such grave questions are being asked in all parts of the world."

"The German occupation of Czechoslovakia has been furthered by new methods, and the world has lately seen more than once, a new departure in the field of international technique."

"Countries are now faced with the encouragement of separatism not only in the interests of the separatist elements, but in the imperial interests of Germany."

"These methods are quite simple and with growing experience, quite unmistakable."

"Have we any assurance that they will not be employed elsewhere?"

DANGER WITHIN

"Every neighbour of Germany is now uncertain of tomorrow, and every country which values its national identity and sovereignty, stands warned against the danger from within, inspired from without."

"I am glad the Rumanian Government has denied the report that went so far as to speak of an ultimatum, but it is not surprising that the Rumanian and other Governments view with the greatest misgivings the happenings of the past few days."

Viscount Halifax described the measures taken to relieve the refugee situation, and said that the Government would continue to do whatever it could to mitigate the consequences of recent events, "but it is quite plain that the success of anything we attempt depends on the attitude of the German Government."

PROGRESS IMPOSSIBLE

"For years past the British people have desired to be on friendly terms with the German people; our people were not backward in recognizing that there were some mistakes in the Versailles Treaty which needed remedying."

"But each time, in the last few years, that there has been a chance of making progress in an understanding, the German Government has taken action which has made progress impossible."

"Shortly after Munich, measures were taken in Germany which gave a profound shock to world opinion. All initiative towards closer economic collaboration was frustrated by

LANCASHIRE COTTON Indian Agreement Brings Fillip

LONDON, Mar. 20. THE LANCASHIRE cotton industry benefits by the provisions of a trade agreement between Britain and India signed to-day, and which remains in force for three years.

In order to compensate for some preferences on British goods which have now been discontinued, India undertakes to reduce duties on British cotton goods in the first year from 20 per cent. to 15 per cent. and valorem, with corresponding reductions on printed goods.

Duties in the subsequent years will depend on the volume of exports of such goods to India, and the amount of Indian raw cotton taken by the United Kingdom.

Preferences enjoyed in the British markets by India under the Ottawa agreement (which the new agreement supersedes) are, with a few exceptions, continued.

Each party agrees to extend to the other any tariff preferences accorded now, or in the future, to any dominion or to South Rhodesia. As regards colonial empire, provisions of the Ottawa agreement are generally retained.—Reuter.

TROOPSHIP ARRIVES

The troopship Lancashire arrived in Hongkong this morning with 550 naval details and army personnel.

Mrs. Dobbie, wife of the G.O.C. Malaya, was a passenger, she will be a guest of Major General and Mrs. A. E. Grasset at Flagstaff House.

Among the passengers are Lieut. J. T. Skipworth, R.A., Lieut. C. E. Otway, R.E., Lieut. D. C. Russell, R.E., Lieut. J. Ridsdale (for Japan), Miss M. Sharp, Sister Z. Hiddkiss and Sister E. C. Gibbs of the Q.A.I.M.N.S. (for India via Hongkong), Q.M.S. W. J. Ford and family, eighteen families of NCOs and Privates and 50 NCOs and Privates.

A few details are going to Shanghai and Tientsin.

The Lancashire leaves for the United Kingdom on March 28.

Non-Intervention Pact Fade-Out

LONDON, Mar. 20. The German Charge d'Affaires Dr. Kordt, has informed Sir Alexander Cadogan that the German Government will not make any further contribution towards the expenses of the Non-Intervention Committee in Spain.—Trans-Ocean.

British Mission To Rumania

LONDON, Mar. 20. Mr. Oliver Stanley announced in the House of Commons to-day that the Government had decided to send a commercial mission to Rumania.—Reuter.

New Discoveries In Antarctic

CAPE TOWN, Mar. 20. The British research ship, Discovery II has discovered new land in the Antarctic.—Reuter.

Crown Prince Sees Pope Pius

Vatican City, Mar. 20. Pope Pius XII to-day received the Italian Crown Prince in audience. The Crown Prince, who had represented the King of Italy at the Pope's coronation, subsequently visited the Cardinal Secretary of State, Cardinal Magliano.—Trans-Ocean.

Soviet Espionage In United States

LOS ANGELES, Mar. 20. Michael Gorin, manager of a Soviet tourist agency, was sentenced to six years imprisonment to-day, with a fine of \$10,000 on charges of espionage.—Reuter.

H.E. Major General A. E. Grasset and Brigadier A. B. Thomson will visit Macao on April 6, probably making the trip in one of H.M. Ships.

Germany's action last week, and it is difficult to say when it can be easily resumed.

"The British Government has not failed to draw a moral from these events, and has lost no time in placing itself in close practical consultation with the dominions and other governments concerned on the issues which are suddenly made so plain."

"History records many attempts to impose domination in Europe, but all have terminated in disaster. Germany and her people, if history is any guide, may regret the action taken against Czechoslovakia."

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

March 21, 1889. We read that the new American navy, when completed, will consist of twenty-two vessels, ranging from the armoured cruiser Maine, carrying 444 men, down to a first-class torpedo-boat, carrying 100 men and eighteen men. There will be 5780 men on board the twenty-two vessels—600 officers and 5280 sailors and marines.

Exclusive modistes are already displaying some very ecclesiastical looking toilets, designed for special wear during the Lenten season.

Among the pretty dress bonnets used for the moment, before the Spring novelties appear, are those of velvet, combined with Persian nets and lace in rich broche effects and colourings. Gold and silver lace are also alternated with new and pretty effects. The crowns are shirred or tucked, and the brims are covered with an odd in-fold arrangement of puffs and rich folds of velvet in moss, olive, golden brown, dove or mahogany.

The pretty little gathered sleeves of silk in bishop style, which are arranged inside the half open ones of brocade or velvet, are often handsomely wrought with tiny bits of white silk embroidery, or perhaps the cuffs only are so treated. A charming little house dress for sweet sixteen is made with an open Spanish jacket of old rose velvet, lined with pink. The bishop sleeves, extending beyond the pointed velvet ones, are of sea-green silk, embroidered with little moss buds, and beneath the cut-away jacket is a blouse to match, likewise wrought. An odd little collar turns down at the back, this embroidered also and half covering a second deeper one of green velvet.

Every woman who can possess an ample wardrobe should assuredly provide herself with a trim tailor-made of Shetland tweed or Irish linen-spun. Shetland tweed is made of more limited means will do well to make these strong wear-defying utility fabrics their choice for the excellent and less expensive "standby," and as something of the kind is indispensable as one nears the Spring season, a golden-brown serge is suggested, or one of dark Princess of Wales blue, if proving more becoming.

25 YEARS AGO

March 21, 1914. The following are the results to date in the Lawn Tennis Tournament, arranged by the Hongkong Cricket Club:—

Championship Singles
1st Round:—A. H. Jones beat C. R. Sutherland, 5. E. Green beat A. E. W. Salt.
2nd Round:—J. B. Penman beat Capt. A. G. White, A. H. Jones beat C. E. Green.

Singles Handicap "A" Class

1st Round:—D. Aubrey beat Capt. Clarke, Capt. Montith beat Lt. J. O. Beattie, J. B. Penman beat A. R. Linton.
2nd Round:—A. H. Jones beat E. Murphy, S. E. Green beat Major Crisp.

Singles Handicap "B" Class

1st Round:—J. Wood beat E. Abraham, F. J. De Rome beat P. R. Collins, M. M. Walk-over from P. S. Wilshire.
2nd Round:—G. Bagnall beat J. W. Franks, beat F. Borington, beat A. E. W. Salt.

Doubles Handicap

1st Round:—Phillips and Marley beat Salt and May, Jordan and Penman beat Ford and Clarke.
2nd Round:—Col. Dyer and Major Palmer beat W. J. Murphy and J. Sandford beat M. M. and Sutherland.

10 YEARS AGO

March 21, 1929. Lecturing to the Royal Aeronautical Society, Sir George Sholto, inventor of the Helicoptere flying machine, designed for vertical ascent and landing, said that experiments conducted with two machines made for the French Government had shown that, with fifty horse power, 1,320 pounds could be raised.

5 YEARS AGO

March 21, 1934. Having completed a six weeks whirl-tour of 4,000 miles by rail and 2,500 miles by motor Prince George is leaving the Union to-night to visit Rhodesia.

Communal service possessing a very real value is being performed by the Children's Playground Association, which has been entrusted with the handling of one of the Colony's biggest problems—that of seeing that adequate facilities for outdoor recreation are provided for the younger generation. So far, the Association has only begun to touch the fringe of the question, but in the words of Sir Thomas Buxton, its ultimate objective is to see that every thickly populated district has its own playgrounds.

The new China Fleet Club, replacing the Royal Naval Canton, Vanchai, was officially opened with a golden key by Commodore Frank Elliott, this morning.

The trial of Renato Ciancia, Leonardo Bucciardi, Claudio Ciancia and Pasquale Capasso, charged with conspiracy against the life of Signor Mussolini, concluded before a special tribunal to-day.

Capasso was found not guilty, but mitigating circumstances were held to exist in his case and the sentence passed was a term of imprisonment.

The elder Ciancia and Bucciardi were both sentenced to thirty years' imprisonment. The charges arose from the explosion of a bomb in the precincts of St. Peter's, Rome, in June, 1932 and it was alleged that, inspired by anti-fascist leaders in Paris and London, they were conspiring to kill Signor Mussolini with a poison gas bomb which was proposed to explode in the Chamber when the Premier was attending a debate.

A great pro-German espionage organization with wide ramifications throughout Czechoslovakia is claimed to have been shattered by the police. Twenty-five important arrests have been made and others are expected to take place as the result of an investigation of documents discovered in the course of police raids.

It is stated that large-scale espionage has been proved and that a great many Germans who arrived on the pretext of being refugees from the Nazis were really sent to obtain information for Germany.

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Sell Guam To Japan Clamour Severe Quake Rocks Japan

NEW YORK, Mar. 20. The New York "Daily News" in an editorial to-day, favours selling Guam to Japan as suggested in a February article in the "Japan Times Weekly".

"Say the 'Daily News': 'Instead of tempting Japan into snuffing out Guam with bombs before we can build it into something really big and menacing, why not give up the whole idea?'

"The Philippines are our weak salient with their neck stuck out in the Pacific where we have no right. Let us concentrate on defending one side of the Pacific. Let us sell Guam if Japan will buy it. Let us spell permanent and complete United States freedom from the Philippines."

—United Press.

TOKYO, Mar. 20. A SEVERE EARTHQUAKE rocked a wide area of Japan including the central part of the main island, Kyushu, and Shikoku at 12:23 o'clock this afternoon.

The strongest shock was felt in Miyazaki, Oita and Mumamoto Prefectures in Kyushu. At the city of Miyazaki chimneys toppled down, electric wires were snapped and windows-panes were shattered.

According to an announcement by the Central Meteorological Observatory, the epicentre was located in the Uga Sea between Shikoku and Kyushu.—Domet.

The Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Asia left Shanghai at 7.30 a.m. and is due at Hongkong on Thursday at 9 a.m.

Spelling Bee

HOW many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?
apnche minnaret
appanage shogrin
mnlthlous trousty
English Oxford Dictionary
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FINCHER AND HUNG ELIMINATED FROM THE DOUBLES

MAJOR TENNIS UPSET CAUSED BY PORTUGUESE Losers Play Below Par While Winners Excel

(By "Abe")

If any pair deserve to win their match in the current Colony Tennis Championships, they were A. V. Gosano and J. J. Remedios. They did win finally against W. C. Hung and E. C. Fincher, but made the task very hard for themselves and consequently three sets had to be played before a decision could be reached.

The result may be classified as an upset. However, on the day's play there could not have been any other result. Gosano and Remedios, on the whole, displayed better tennis, and though Fincher and Hung at certain stages were playing well, never for any sustained period did they produce their usual form.

Actually, Gosano and Remedios, after winning the first set 6-3, should have won the second at 4-4. Leading 4-4 and 40-15, they failed to win the necessary point, and again later in the set they led 6-7 and 40-15, only to be pulled back once again.

As long as they were not within eight of victory, they seemed all right; but once they had got to within one or two points of the set and match, they seemed to be mesmerized. Twice they threw up short lobs for Hung to kill, and on two other occasions when they got to within a point of winning, they lost control and hit out wildly.

VICTORY DESERVED

These instances apart, however, Gosano and Remedios played extremely well. The latter was particularly good, especially at the start when he won many points on his own with his terrific serve and wholehearted overhead play. But at times he was very erratic indeed.

Gosano was less liable to make mistakes than his partner, but on the other hand he was also less likely to score outright winners, though he meted out just reward to all, or nearly all, lobs which were short. The losers certainly fell far below expectations. The positioning of the winners was not always what it should have been, but instead of putting the ball through the gaps, Fincher and Hung were consistently finding the net. The greatest credit must be extended to them, nevertheless, for the great fight they put up in the second set which went to 28 games before they carried it off after saving four match points.

The third set was an anti-climax, the Portuguese pair winning with the loss of only one game. The losers' power of resistance had been spent apparently in snatching the second set, and the third was a walk-over.

Only in parts was good tennis seen, but there were bits of brilliant play. Anyhow, the excitement provided in the second set more than made up for any deficiency.

OTHER MATCHES

Compared to this tie, the other matches played in the championships yesterday were dull. I. M. A. Razack and A. R. Minu, of the Indian R.C., had two hard-fought sets against the Chinese R.C. pair, Tsai Ping-fan and



J. J. Remedios (left) and A. V. Gosano caused the first major upset in the current Colony Tennis Championships when they defeated a much-fancied pair in the first round of the doubles yesterday. Remedios and Gosano won by 6-3, 12-14 and 6-1, but should have won more easily than that.—Staff Photographer.

Results Of Matches Played Yesterday

The following were the results of matches played yesterday:

Open Singles
Peter U beat Lieut. J. S. Theobald 6-1, 1-6, 6-1.
S. W. Liang beat Wei Chung 6-4, 6-4.

Open Doubles
I. M. A. Razack and A. R. Minu beat Tsai Ping-fan and Ng Kam-chuen 6-4, 7-5.
Leo Yue-wing and Ho Ka-lau beat Lieut. J. M. Tomlinson and L. J. C. Loch 6-1, 6-1.
A. V. Gosano and J. J. Remedios beat E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung 6-3, 12-14, 6-1.

Wednesday Draw With Chesterfield

London, Mar. 20. In the Second Division of the English Football League, Sheffield Wednesday, playing at home were held to a draw by Chesterfield. No goals were scored.—Reuter.

Ng Kam-chuen. The steadiness of the Chinese stood them in good stead, but the Indians were obviously the better pair and played far more attractive tennis.

Leo Yue-wing and Ho Ka-lau romped home against Lieut. J. M. Tomlinson and L. J. C. Loch with the loss of only two games.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

Open Singles—S. A. Rumjahn v. George Chou; Wong Shu-wing v. K. W. Ma; F. H. Kwok v. H. D. Rumjahn.

Club Singles—T. J. Gould v. B. O'M. Deane; T. A. Pearce v. T. C. Monaghan.

Mixed Doubles—Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Waiden v. H. J. Scull and Miss C. Scull.

Handicap Doubles—R. C. Beavan and A. K. Mackenzie v. E. R. Price and T. J. Price.

Handicap Singles—Capt. R. B. Leckie v. C. M. Stark.

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Irish Sweep Drawing Now In Progress

America Lucky Once More

Dublin, Mar. 20. Lord Powerscourt, opening the Irish Sweepstakes draw to-day, said the setting in a theme of peace was very appropriate, for millions of prayers were being offered for its achievement. It was their right to international peace.

If democracy stood for anything at all, the voice of the people had to be heard. Even in totalitarian states themselves, the important thing was not to be war-minded. War was not inevitable and a host of things might change the present grave situation.

War was but a path of misery for victors and vanquished, and he asked if nothing could be done to pour oil on the troubled waters. He thought trade, amusement and recreation were the best paths along which international goodwill could be sought.

Trade would be best fostered by releasing it from its embargoes and restrictions. Money, like porridge, required stirring, and he suggested the Sweepstakes, in distributing their prizes, were helping to do this, and he thought that if the embargoes imposed by European countries were lifted, the Sweepstakes would be able to add to international good-feeling and forge another link in the chain of peace.

It was announced that the total receipts were £2,428,547, of which £1,342,100 was available for prizes. Non-runners will receive £530 and 50 each prize will be worth £242 each.

The hospitals have now received nearly £13½ million and over 80,000 people have shared prizes worth £44½ million.—International Press Bureau.

America Gets Lion's Share Once Again

Dublin, Mar. 20. The drawing of horses was completed to-day, a local winner being the last name out and was greeted by warm applause.

The greatest slice of luck went to America again, with 499 prizes out of 897. Europe was next with 187. Ireland did well with 55, and Canada and South Africa were strongly represented.

Residual and cash prizes will be drawn to-morrow.—International Press Bureau.

TIENTSIN LUCK

Dublin, Mar. 20. In the Irish Sweep draw to-day, ticket No. PA 27214, held by J. H. An, of the Asiatic Petroleum Co., Tientsin, drew War Vessel. The runner may be worth £30,000 and must win £530.—International Press Bureau.

Rugger Matches At Home

London, Mar. 20. Rugby Union matches played to-day resulted as follows:

North 6 Oxford University 10
Cross Keys 14 Newport 10
Llanelli 6 Swansea 3

RUGBY LEAGUE

Wakefield 8 Castleford 11
Trinity — Reuter.

Here And There With "Abe"

Boom Likely In Brown Rubber Shoe Industry

THERE will probably be a boom in the brown rubber shoe industry in Hongkong this summer. At the annual meeting of the Lawn Bowls Association held last Friday, a rule was passed whereby all players in matches under the jurisdiction of the Hongkong L.B.A. will have to wear brown shoes. It is likely that there will be 27 teams participating in the three divisions of the League, which means that a total of 324 players will be turning out every Saturday.

Taken for granted that many players already possess brown shoes, the demand will still be great enough probably to cause some pioneering shoemaker to increase the prices of this commodity. Seriously, however, though the rule may not prove popular with everyone, as many people have been content with playing their matches in white rubbers for years and years, it is one which was bound to come sooner or later. It merely conforms with what is already laid down by the English Bowling Association.

Better For Game

THE reason why brown shoes are advocated is that when a head is being played, players wearing white shoes and standing behind the Jack are liable to cause it to be obscured, whereas if brown ones were worn the Jack would stand out in relief. When one comes to think of it, the rule benefits the game.

The argument, brought forward at the meeting, to the effect that comfort will be sacrificed does not hold water. The rule merely lays down that brown-coloured shoes must be worn, and those who object to wearing heavy brown shoes with rubber soles need only have to get a pair of brown-coloured canvas rubbers, which are so commonly seen in the Colony, and which do not cost any more than the ordinary white rubbers. Only the question of colours enters into the matter: I suppose one can wear any shoes one feels inclined to, provided they are brown in colour and have rubber soles.

Going Too Far

AT this meeting, it was suggested that some ruling should also be made in regard to dress at bowls matches in Hongkong. But, as most members were agreed, this was going too far. After all, the game is played here in the hottest months and it is only natural that players would want to be as comfortable as they can be. And so long as they observe the ordinary rules of decency, they should be left as much alone as possible. There should be no ruling at all on dress. I shudder.

ENGLISH BADMINTON TEAM WILL VISIT MALAYA

Writing in the "Daily Herald" Clifford Webb, the well-known sports critic, says that the All-England Badminton Association will shortly sponsor a tour by four leading English men players and two women to Australia, New Zealand and Canada and that the team will call at Malaya on the way.

This move to include Malaya in the itinerary is undoubtedly due to A. S. Samuel's splendid displays in the English county championships, of which he has won six. Webb says that the biggest international trials the game could make would be the introduction of a competition on Davis Cup lines, which is actually in process of preparation. Badminton is booming in the United States and Canada and is rapidly attracting great attention in Australia and New Zealand.

Youngsters Revive Boxing Popularity In Great Britain

London, Mar. 1.

Thanks to two magnificent lightweight championship fights at Harringay in the last two months, a new era has opened for British boxing.

Many who had never seen a boxing match before had the unique experience of seeing the Boon-Danahar contest on one of the 10,000 television sets that are owned round the metropolis or at a cinema.

Next time they will want to be at the ringside.

The amazing changes of fortune, the thrills, the sportsmanship and courage displayed by both men, gave boxing a tremendous lift.

FIGHTER VS. BOXER

The contest between Eric Boon and Arthur Danahar was one of the most brilliant and thrilling fighter-versus-boxer contests ever seen in the British ring. It is still the talk of the sports world.

The fight was stopped by the referee at precisely the right moment. It was at the beginning of the 14th round when the beaten but indomitable Danahar rose at the count of nine after his eighth knock-down, and when, for the first time in this dramatic fight, it was clear that he could not win.

Ferocity and tremendous hitting power enabled Boon to retain his title after he had been given a rare boxing lesson for the first seven rounds.

Danahar had never before been called upon to fight more than eight rounds and this, coupled with the fact that he, 9lb, is really too light a weight for him, told its tale against a natural lightweight. Danahar will fight next as a welter.

N.S.C. TRIBUTE

Boon and Danahar were introduced from the ring at the N.S.C. programme at Earl's Court four days after their great battle. Danahar is a protégé of the N.S.C.

Admiral Sir Lionel Halsey, chairman of the N.S.C., made a splendid speech. Addressing himself to Danahar first, he said:

"The N.S.C., after your wonderful showing last Thursday, desire to do something to help you. After long consideration we have come to the conclusion that the gift which will benefit you most will be to give you a complete rest from boxing in order that you might build yourself up and do further credit to British boxing."

Handing Danahar an envelope, he continued: "With this order you can go for a month's trip; either on a cruise or wherever you like. Whatever you decide to do, all expenses will be taken care of."

"RESTORED GLAMOUR"

Admiral Halsey then addressed Boon as "the greatest fighter in this country." He added, "You won by no fluke. You pulled a losing fight out of the fire with your great heart and great punching."

"You two boys whose joint ages don't make 40 have restored glamour to British boxing."

The gallant Admiral then announced that Eric Boon was to be the guest of the Club when a presentation would be made to him.

Arthur Danahar wound up the pleasant evening by saying, "Eric Boon is a great fighter and I wish him success when he fights for the Belt a third time, and hope he makes it his own property."

Then a presentation by Boon, who presented his rival with a handsome cigarette box and remarked that if he had not beaten Danahar, "I would have rather lost to him than anybody else."

H. K. Ladies' Interport Hockey Team Expected In Shanghai On April 6

Shanghai, Mar. 16.

Arriving probably on the 6th of April, the Hongkong Women's Interport Hockey Team will spend some 10 days in the local port during which interval they will participate in three hockey matches, including the all-important Interport Match against the pick of Shanghai's women hockey players.

In preparation for the visitor's arrival, the Shanghai Ladies Hockey Association has completed some of their plans for the reception of the colony side. Details of their entertainment, with an Interport Supper Dance being the main function, have been entered into with great care so that the southerners will be assured of a royal welcome.

The first hockey encounter will obviously be against the Shanghai Interport XI with the date of the game being set for Saturday, April 8. Another interesting tilt for the visiting team will be a match against the Greens, the champions of the local women's league who have yet to lose a single game. For the third clash, a team representing the "Rest of Shanghai" will be pitted against the colony side.

ENTERTAINMENT PLANS

The Special Entertainment Committee, headed by Miss E. Bloomfield, has also arranged an extremely attractive programme for the visitors. The first item on the reception will be a welcome tiffin on the day of arrival. Following this function will be a tea and a Chinese dinner, the dates and place to be arranged presently.

The most colourful affair of the entire programme, however, will be the Interport Dance which will be held at the Shanghai Race Club. A large attendance is expected at this dance, with the major portion of those present being undoubtedly drawn from hockey players and enthusiasts. The Committee is sparing no pains to make this function the most outstanding of the whole of the visitors' stay.

The Association is going on ahead with their Interport Trials this week-end with another two being scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, both matches to be played at the Race Course. The selections for these two encounters have not yet been decided but the matches are expected to produce a high standard of play.

National And Lincolnshire Calls-Over

London, Mar. 20.

The following is the latest call-over for the Grand National, which will be run on March 24:

7/1 Kilar (t. and o.)
10/1 Workman (o), 100/6 (t.)
100/6 Royal Danell (t. and o.)
12/1 Tenebrius (o), 12/1 (t.)
100/6 Royal Mail (o), 12/1 (t.)
18/1 Rockquill (o.)
18/1 Breda (t. and o.)
22/1 Underhill (t. and o.)
22/1 Maceroff (o.)
22/1 Colocle (t. and o.)
50/1 Inverleith (o), 25/1 (t.)

LINCOLNSHIRE

London, Mar. 20.

The following is the latest call-over for the Lincolnshire:

5/1 Danahar (t. and o.)
100/6 Galena (t. and o.)
100/6 Aldie (t. and o.)
18/1 Mahala (o), 25/1 (t.)
20/1 Recktown (o), 25/1 (t.)
20/1 Tenebrius (o), 25/1 (t.)
20/1 Halcyon Gift (o), 25/1 (t.)
5/1 Andrews (t. and o.)
22/1 Underhill (t. and o.)
22/1 Daily Bread (o), 25/1 (t.)
22/1 Dark Tot (t. and o.)
22/1 Agnecourt (t. and o.)
25/1 Davy Dottle (o.)
25/1 Dundee (t. and o.)
50/1 Croisau (o), 50/1 (t.)
50/1 Sir Pomm (o), 50/1 (t.)

Cricket Tour Ends With Drawn Game

Auckland, Mar. 20.

Sir Julien Kahn's cricketers ended their tour of New Zealand to-day with a drawn match against Auckland.

In the first innings, the tourists scored 450. Auckland replied with 276, and in the follow-on, made 304 for three wickets.—Reuter. Bullfin.

NANCY

By Ernie Bushmiller



Horse Rivals Bradman As Public Idol

Australian Wonder Set Up Weight Record In Recent Caulfield Race

Sydney, Mar. 3.

Ajax, Australia's wonder horse, claimed to be worth £50,000, has now won sixteen races in succession and threatens to displace Don Bradman as public idol number one.

Never in the history of racing at Caulfield had there been such a tumultuous and prolonged demonstration as that which greeted Ajax, as he returned to the weighing enclosure, after winning the Caulfield Futurity Stakes with a record weight for a 4-year-old of 10st 6lb. His performance was the more striking because the race was run in pouring rain with mud fetlock deep.

The previous record weight carried to victory by a four-year-old was the 10st 3lb carried by the mighty Phar Lap. However, Ajax really created a weight carrying record for the race, as owing to the heavy rain and muddy state of the track, his rider J. H. Badger weighed in at 10st 7½lb, which was in excess of the record weight of 10st 7lb carried by Eurymyth, then a five-year-old, when he won in 1922.

SIXTEENTH SUCCESSIVE VICTORY

Ajax won the St. George Stakes at Caulfield the previous Saturday, a 9 furlongs weight for age race with the greatest of ease.

His win in the 7 furlongs Futurity Stakes was his sixteenth successive victory, and his owners make no secret of the fact that Ajax is out to break the Australian record held by Gloaming and Desert Gold of 19 successive wins.

If Ajax wins his next two races in Melbourne, the King's Plate, 1½ miles, and the C. M. Lloyd Stakes, one mile, he probably will have to face the New Zealand champion, Defaulter, in Sydney, in his 19th or 20th race.

Defaulter has six successive wins to his credit in New Zealand and the meeting of the two champions here is being awaited with great interest.

PUBLIC IDOL NUMBER ONE

Should Ajax succeed in his attempt to create an Australian record of 20 successive wins his position as public idol number one seems assured. "Our Harbour," "Our Bridge" and even "Our Bradman," hitherto ranked so highly in popular esteem, may all be superseded by "Our Ajax."

F. Musgrave, trainer of Ajax, says that Ajax seems to have become not only a national, but an international hero. He says that visitors from all over Australia and passengers from English and American liners call to see the horse.

Some of the overseas visitors knock at Mr. Musgrave's front door and merely ask "Does Ajax live here?"

The Futurity Stakes win was worth £2,300 to Ajax, who has now 23 races and £27,476 in stakes. H. Badger, the Victorian jockey, has won him 17 times, while the Sydney riders M. McCarten and E. Bartle

have had five and one wins respectively.

"WORTH IT"

In response to an inquiry from America recently to put a price on Ajax his value was given as £50,000. After his win in the Futurity Stakes Mr. E. K. Thornton, a steward of the Kansas City Racing Club, whose trip from America to Australia was influenced largely by a desire to see Australian horses, said in an interview at Caulfield that Ajax was worth the £50,000.

"He is certainly a great horse," he said, "one of the best it would be possible to see anywhere."

"I consider he would give a good bit of weight and still beat Sen Blacut and War Admiral up to a quarter. Even the best American horses are never asked to race with 10st 6lb and it amazed me to see the speed shown by Ajax as he ploughed through the heavy track to run seven furlongs in 1m 28½s."

"Laurin, the Kentucky Derby Winner, is a pretty fair horse, but Ajax would beat him any number of lengths."

GERMAN ATHLETICS

Japan Accepts Invitation For Summer Visit

Tokyo, Mar. 20.

Accepting the invitation extended by the German Athletic Federation, the Japan Athletic Federation has decided to send six Japanese athletes, including sprinters and jumpers, to Germany this summer. It was announced here to-day. The Japanese delegates will compete with German athletes at various districts in Germany.—Domci.

COLLEGE SPORTS

The Fourteenth Annual Athletic Sports meeting of Wah Yan College will be held on the South China Athletic Association ground, Caroline Hill, on Thursday, March 23, commencing at 1 p.m.

Mr. C. G. Scott, the Director of Education, will distribute the prizes at 4.30 p.m.



E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung were eliminated from the doubles of the Colony Tennis Championships yesterday by J. J. Remedios and A. V. Gosano, of the Club de Recreio. They played far below their usual form and were fortunate to take a set.—Staff Photographer.

SPLENDID BOXING

The boxing tournament organised by the Middlesex Regiment and held at Nanking Barracks, Shamshuipo, last night provided a full programme of good boxing and keen contests. There were several good mixing bouts, but Private Moran, an outstanding light-heavyweight of the host Regiment, was able to dispose of his opponent too easily to show much of his prowess.

Col. A. L. Newnham, Officer Commanding, presented the prizes at the end of the evening.

The results were: Bantamweight.—Pte. Williams (Mid.) knocked out Spr. Murphy (Fortress R.E.) 1st round; Spr. Diamond (Fort. R.E.) beat Pte. Panting (Mid.).

Featherweight.—Pte. Dorrner (Mid.) beat Pte. Bickley (R.A.M.C.); A.B. Upton (H.M.S. Birmingham) beat Pte. Hope (Mid.); Pte. Hugginson (Mid.) beat Gnr. Campbell (5th A.A.) t.k.o. 1st round; Pte. Smith (Mid.) w.o. Pte. Goldburn.

Lightweight.—Cpl. Ellis (Mid.) beat L/Sgt. Lewis (R.E.), t.k.o. 2nd round; Pte. McElhatton (Mid.) beat P. Childress (R.A.M.C.); L/Cpl. Phillips (Mid.) beat Pte. Varty (R.A.M.C.), k.o. 1st round.

Welterweight.—Cpl. Freshwater (Mid.) w.o. Trooper Robinson (5th A.A.); Cpl. Holdford (Mid.) beat Pte. Jacob (R.A.M.C.), k.o. 2nd round; Pte. Gest (Mid.) beat Spr. Cox (Fort. R.E.); Pte. Eaton (Mid.) beat A.B. Barnett (H.M.S. Birmingham), k.o. 1st round; Pte. Milroy (Mid.) beat Spr. Cunningham (Fort. R.E.), k.o. 1st round.

Middleweight.—L/Cpl. Seton (Mid.) beat Pte. Goulden (R.A.M.C.); L/Cpl. Webster (Mid.) beat Spr. Spencer (Fort. R.E.).

Light-heavyweight.—Pte. Fawcett (Mid.) beat L/Cpl. Fox (Mid.); Pte. Moran (Mid.) beat Sto. Rodgers (H.M.S. Birmingham), t.k.o. 2nd round; L/Cpl. Betts (Mid.) beat Gnr. Penroth (8th Heavy Bty., R.A.).

Hockey

Entries For Six-A-Side Tournament

Twenty-six teams have entered for the Six-a-Side Hockey Tournament which will be played on Sunday, April 2.

The following clubs entered with their number of teams in parentheses: Royal Engineers (1), Middlesex Regiment (4), Club de Recreio (3), H.M.S. Medway and Submarines (2), Radlo (2), Nomads (2), Kumon Rifles (2), C.B.A. (2), R.A.O.C. (2), Kowloon Indians (1), Royal Scots (1), Bur. R.A. (2), 10th A.A. (1), and 6th A.A. (1).

The draw will take place on Tuesday next. The draw for the International Tournament will be made the following Tuesday.

FOOTBALL FIXTURES FOR WEEK

Local league football matches and the Lai Wah Cup final have been arranged as follows:

TO-MORROW
First Division
South China "A" v. St. Joseph's (Caroline Hill), 6 p.m. Referee, Adam. Linesmen, Demme and Purnell.

Eastern v. Royal Scots (Hongkong F.C.), 5 p.m. Referee, Glover. Linesmen, Hartley and Barretto.

SATURDAY, MAR. 25
First Division
Kowloon v. South China "A" (Kowloon), 4.30 p.m. Referee, Hinchcliffe. Linesmen, Somerville and Wyper.

Middlesex v. Eastern (Sookunpo), 4.30 p.m. Referee, Havelaar. Linesmen, Banham and Barker.

St. Joseph's v. Police (Caroline Hill), 4.30 p.m. Referee, Ford. Linesmen, Horlock and Stone.

Second Division
Kwong Wah v. South China (Kowloon), 3 p.m. Referee, Ip.
5th R.A. v. Eastern (Sookunpo), 3 p.m. Referee, Omar.

Third Division
Runners-up Play-off
South China v. Kit Chee (Caroline Hill), 3 p.m. Referee, Clarke.
SUNDAY, MAR. 26
Lai Wah Cup Final
Civilians v. Chinese (Hongkong F.C.), 4 p.m. Referee, Goss. Linesmen, Fair and Hartley.

WEEK-END GOLF

F. Groves, with a score of 35+4=39, won the Stableford Competition of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club played at Fanling during the week-end.

Other scores were F. S. Goldart 20+18=38, H. Overy 20+18=37, and E. T. McMullen 20+17=35. There were twenty-one entries.

OUR SPELLING BEE (see page 7) spoke—one or two n's—antithesis, minaret—shagreen—frowsty.

FOURTH ANNUAL PRIZE MEETING OF H.K.R.A.

To Be Held From April 13 To 17

Programmes and entry forms have been issued for the fourth annual Prize Meeting (incorporating the United Services meeting) of the Hongkong Rifle Association to be held on the Army Ranges, Kowloon City, from April 13 to 17, both days inclusive.

Entries close on April 2 and post entries, 50 per cent extra, will close on April 9. Any entry received after April 9 will be charged 100 per cent, and then subject to Range accommodation.

The booklet contains the provisional time-table for the meeting. On April 13, 14 and 15, there will be shooting from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on April 16 and 17 from 8.30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

During the meeting the Claybird Range will be open as follows: April 14—11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 to 4 p.m.; April 15—10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.; April 16—10—10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 3 to 4.30 p.m.; April 17—10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 2 to 3.30 p.m.

The following are the rifle competitions: "Affiliated Rifle Clubs," China Fleet Challenge Cup, Company Match (Services), Felling Plate Match (Services), "Imperial and Police Forces," "Inter-Universities," "International," Machine Gun Match, Platoon Match (Services), Association Revolver Team Match, Senior Members Match, "Services Team Aggregate, Steel-Coulson Trophy, "Veterans Trophy," Services Claybird Team match.

*No person may fire in more than two of the events comprising this aggregate.

Badminton Semi-Finals Arranged

The following are the arranged semi-finals of the Colony Open Badminton Championships:

FRIDAY, MAR. 24

Junior Singles
J. S. Ho v. S. H. Boone (Talkoo), 8 p.m.
Senior Singles
P. K. Hui v. F. Koh (Talkoo), 8.30 p.m.
M. A. Oliveira or K. L. Yong v. C. Au (Talkoo), 9 p.m.

TUESDAY, MAR. 28

Junior Singles
D. Kwok v. P. Lo (Talkoo), 8 p.m.
Mixed Doubles
K. L. Yong and Miss W. Cheung v. P. K. Hui and Miss Khoo or A. Keown and Miss R. Summers (Talkoo), 8.30 p.m.
C. Au and Miss Remedios v. M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva (Talkoo), 9 p.m.



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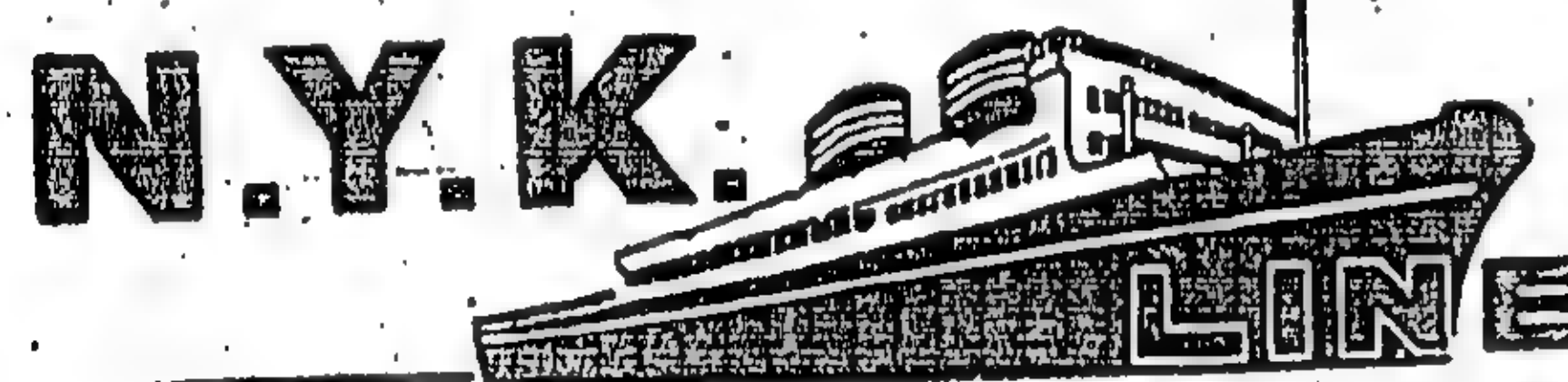
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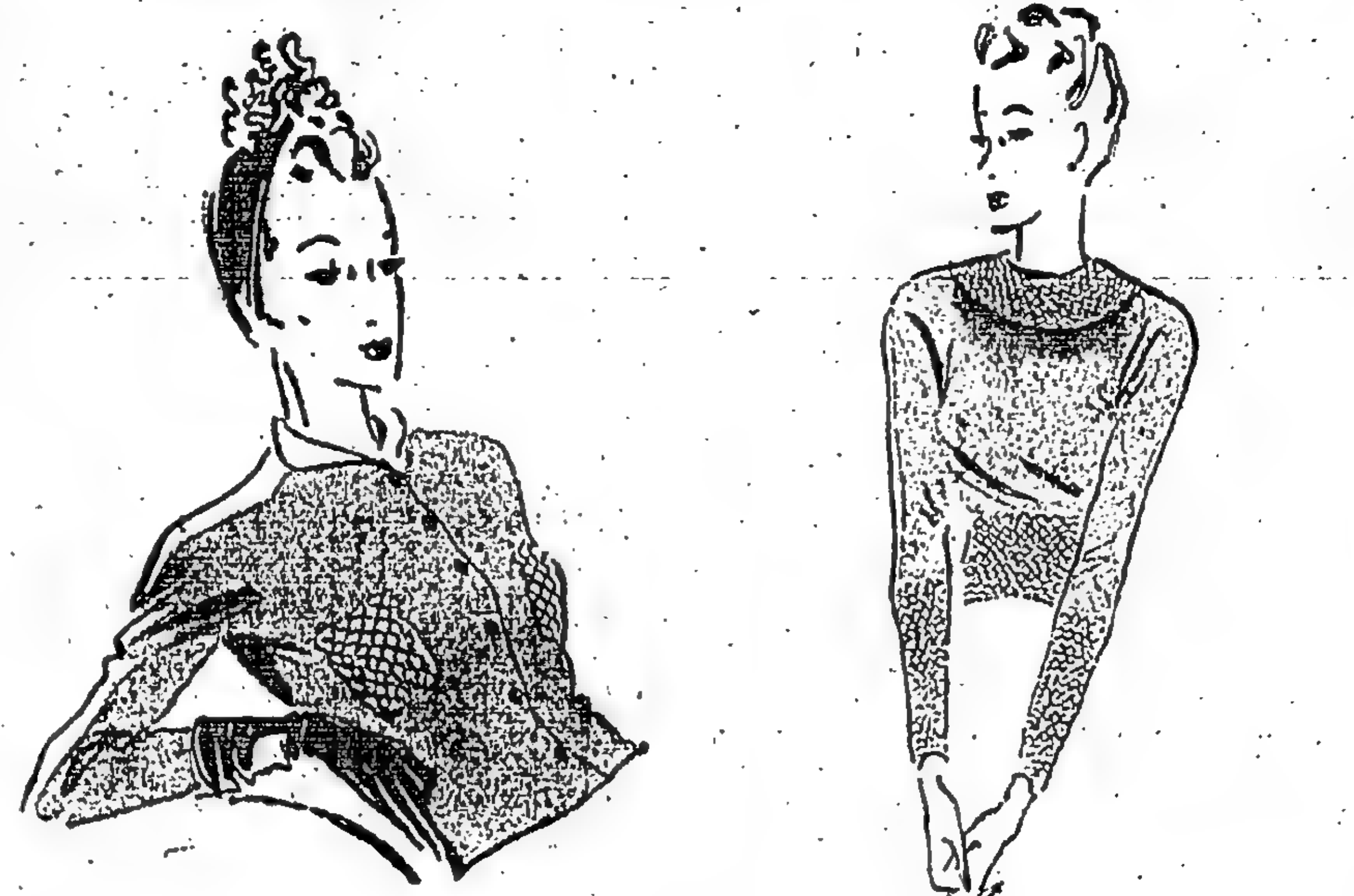
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HONEYCOMBING, simplest of smocking stitches, is one of the most effective. All you have to do is to gather your material with parallel lines of tacking, each stitch immediately under that in the row above, pull the gathering threads to the required tension, and do the embroidery.

A beginner will find it worth while to buy a smocking transfer. This consists of rows of accurately placed dots, and is a guide for your tacking threads.

Iron the transfer on to the wrong side of your material.
 The distance between the dots regulates the thickness of the finished work. The wider spaced the dots the thicker and more elastic it will be.

FOR a light-weight woollen, say between 3 and 5 ounces, quarter-inch stitches, lift a quarter, lay a quarter, giving fairly shallow gathers, will be suitable. Silk, being less bulky, can take wider stitches, but you will need more material, and the smocking will be deeper.

A quarter of an inch is a good standard size for most fabrics. If you do smock anything thick you will have to tack it in big stitches but not pull it up so tightly.

Each row of tacks must be done with a separate thread.

When you have tacked the required number of lines, pull them up to an even tension. Of course, if you are honeycombing round a neck the inner tacks, nearest the neck edge, must be tighter than those outside to give you a round.

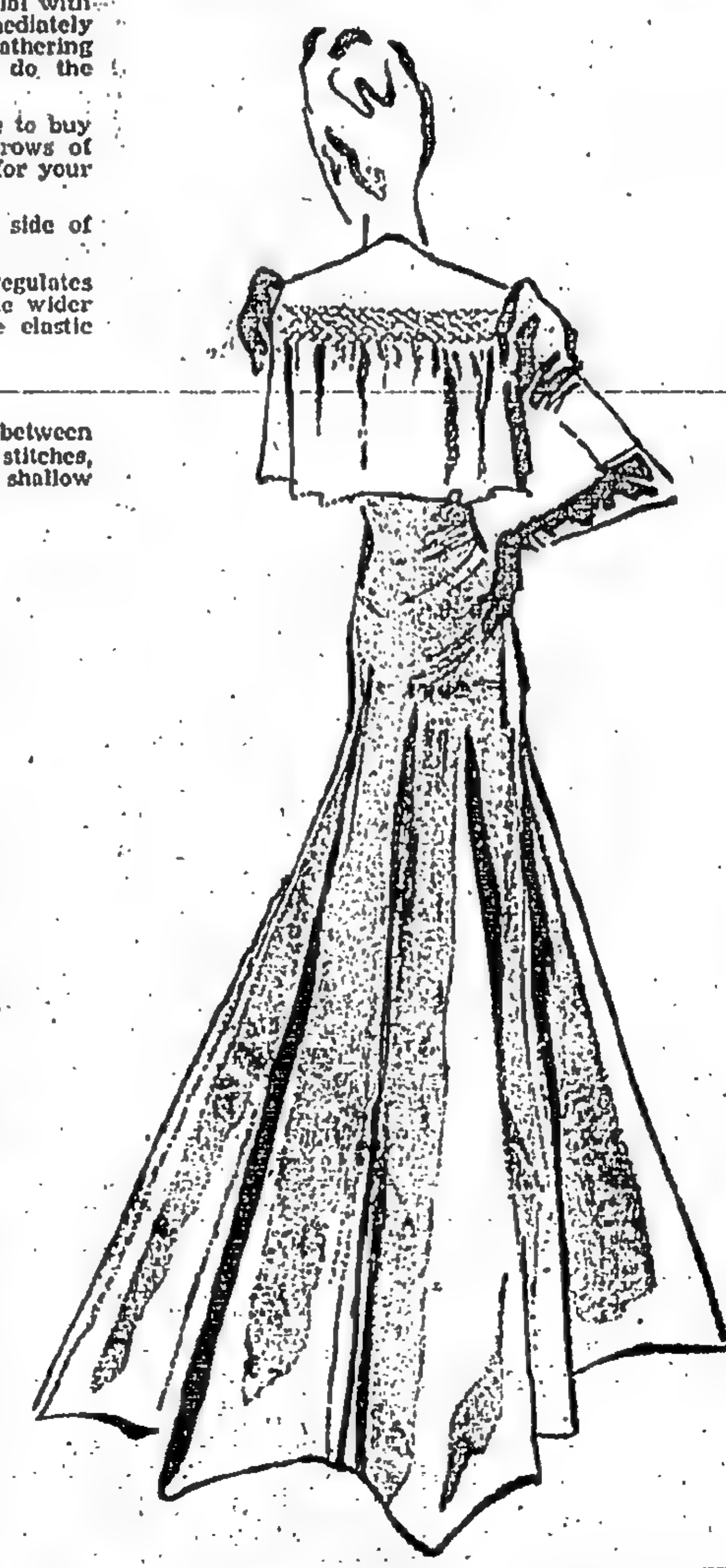
Either knot the threads of each two rows together, or put a pin opposite to each pair of rows and wind the threads from the two rows round it.

Stroke the gather so that the ridges are absolutely even.
 Now the embroidery: two lines are worked at a time, going from left to right.

START at the top left-hand corner. Catch the first two pleats in the upper row with a back stitch. Return the needle to the wrong side and slip it down the second pleat to the lower row, bringing it to the right side. Catch this pleat (the second) to the next pleat in the lower row (the third). Now slip the needle up the third pleat to the top row and catch this same pleat (the third) to the fourth, in the top row.

The second pleat (when two are backstitched) in one row becomes the first pleat in the next pair to be backstitched, either up or down. Continue in this way working two pleats together in each row to the end of the line.

THE stitch is simplicity itself to understand when you have the gathered fabric in front of you. The photograph shows quarter-inch stitching on a dress weight woollen. Twelve inches smocks down to three inches, but that three inches will stretch comfortably to four inches, and with an effort to five. Your last, and most cheerful, step is to pull out the tacking threads.



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Crossword Puzzle

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ACROSS

- Plead
- Viper
- That girl is
- Mass angry
- Pace
- Doughnut shape
- Arise
- Large plant
- Quitting plan
- Dequered of
- Star mital
- Small horse
- Concave atterd
- Impment of war
- Collapsce
- Box in theatre
- Instatle
- Walk on table
- Cosum
- Just no
- Spire
- Small European tree
- Written communi-cations
- Amey
- Ill
- Self-satisfied
- Paying close atten-tion
- Drunk to excess
- Hiding place
- Heave
- Common metal
- Excavate underground

DOWN

- Two bedd
- Utter sharp cry
- Wild bee "washed"
- Upset
- Well-considered plan
- Master of Jargues
- Clashes with French
- Blow towshee
- Fort of time
- Police language
- Perceive
- Green letter
- Red Rover
- Unhappy
- Always
- Minced oath
- Carriage
- Legal redress
- Inhabited canal
- Whistle substance
- Part of whole plant
- Out of
- Build terrapine
- Foundation of metric system
- Added quantity
- On and above
- Extension of spine
- Import to
- Mental image
- Gill
- Ambitions

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1-PLACED 2-UPPER 3-WILD 4-UPSET 5-CLASHES 6-MINCE 7-UNHAPPY 8-ALWAYS 9-LEGAL 10-RED 11-UNHAPPY 12-ALWAYS 13-LEGAL 14-RED 15-UNHAPPY 16-ALWAYS 17-LEGAL 18-RED 19-UNHAPPY 20-ALWAYS 21-LEGAL 22-RED 23-UNHAPPY 24-ALWAYS 25-LEGAL 26-RED 27-UNHAPPY 28-ALWAYS 29-LEGAL 30-RED 31-UNHAPPY 32-ALWAYS 33-LEGAL 34-RED 35-UNHAPPY 36-ALWAYS 37-LEGAL 38-RED 39-UNHAPPY 40-ALWAYS 41-LEGAL 42-RED 43-UNHAPPY 44-ALWAYS 45-LEGAL 46-RED 47-UNHAPPY 48-ALWAYS 49-LEGAL 50-RED 51-UNHAPPY 52-ALWAYS 53-LEGAL 54-RED 55-UNHAPPY 56-ALWAYS 57-LEGAL 58-RED 59-UNHAPPY 60-ALWAYS 61-LEGAL 62-RED 63-UNHAPPY 64-ALWAYS 65-LEGAL 66-RED 67-UNHAPPY 68-ALWAYS 69-LEGAL 70-RED 71-UNHAPPY 72-ALWAYS 73-LEGAL 74-RED 75-UNHAPPY 76-ALWAYS 77-LEGAL 78-RED 79-UNHAPPY 80-ALWAYS 81-LEGAL 82-RED 83-UNHAPPY 84-ALWAYS 85-LEGAL 86-RED 87-UNHAPPY 88-ALWAYS 89-LEGAL 90-RED 91-UNHAPPY 92-ALWAYS 93-LEGAL 94-RED 95-UNHAPPY 96-ALWAYS 97-LEGAL 98-RED 99-UNHAPPY 100-ALWAYS

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French News Agency Reports Demand On Hungary For Free Passage Of German Troops: France Calls Up Its Specialists

GERMAN TROOPS MOVE ON LITHUANIAN BORDER

PARIS, MAR. 21.

MOVEMENTS OF GERMAN TROOPS ARE REPORTED TO BE TAKING PLACE IN THE REGION ON THE EAST PRUSSIAN AND LITHUANIAN FRONTIER, BETWEEN THE TOWNS OF INTERBURG AND TILSIT, ACCORDING TO THE NEWSPAPER "INTRANSIGENT."—REUTER.

REQUEST TO HUNGARY

BUDAPEST, MARCH 20.

THE BUDAPEST BUREAU OF THE "HAVAS" NEWS AGENCY, REPORTS THAT THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT HAS REQUESTED HUNGARY TO ALLOW GERMAN TROOPS A FREE PASSAGE THROUGH HUNGARY IN THE EVENT OF GERMANY BEING INVOLVED IN AN INTERNATIONAL CONFLICT.

The report says that the Hungarian Government is divided on the Reich request. While a section urges consent to the German demand, another section endorses Foreign Minister Beck's claim to form "the third axis" in alliance with Rumania.

RESERVES MOBILISED?

In view of the threatening situation, the Budapest Government will, "Havas" understands, enter into separate negotiations with the Reich and Rumania to find a possible solution.

Meanwhile, it was authoritatively revealed that the Hungarian Government started mobilisation of reserve forces on Monday in precaution against the concentration of Rumanian forces along the border. The mobilisation is expected to be completed by March 28.—Domei.

FRENCH MOBILISATION

PARIS, Mar. 20.

THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT to-night proceeded with the secret partial mobilisation of thousands of Reserve specialists and officers.

NEXT MOVE IN MEMEL

Wide Demands On Lithuania Seen

MEMEL, Mar. 20.

REPORTS ARE widely current that Memel Germans are contemplating the presentation of far-reaching demands from Lithuania.

Both sides deny that demands have been presented, but the following demands are anticipated:

Lithuania to hand to Memel control of the posts, telegraphs, railways and other communications, as well as income from harbour dues; dismissed Memel German State officials to be reinstated, and back salaries paid; the Lithuania garrison and frontier police to be withdrawn.—Reuter.

CARS CONFISCATED

According to a Bratislava message, the chief of staff of the Hlinka Guards has ordered all Jews to place their motor cars, not essential to their business, at the disposal of the Hlinka Guards.—Reuter.

NO THREATS TO BULGARIA

Sofia, Mar. 20. Informed quarters here declared to-day that foreign press reports of alleged threats to Bulgaria by Germany were wholly erroneous. It was added that Bulgaria had no reason for proceeding to a revision of her close political and economic relations with Germany which had (Continued on Page 4.)

This is an immediate consequence of the sixteen decrees which were signed by President Lebrun this evening after the Cabinet had approved giving the Government blanket powers to put France on a war footing by industrial and military mobilisation.

Only three military zones are actually mobilising reserves, but the Government is now empowered to mobilise any number at any time emergency requires.

GREATER THAN SEPTEMBER

An official of the Ministry of War admitted to the United Press that "large numbers will be called up."

There is every indication that the mobilisation will be on a greater and more comprehensive scale than in September last year.

One decree signed by the President provides for increased numbers of officers and non-commissioned officers on the reserve to permit a skeleton formation.

Another doubles the effective mobilisation in the Sixth Region which is the Metz district, the most important sector of the Maginot Line at right angles to the Rhineland and the Belgian border fortresses.—United Press.

The French Government is keeping secret the nature of the mobilisation of specialists.

However, it is believed that the first phase will include 60,000 specialists of various groups. Thereafter there will be an interrupted calling up of reserve officers and non-commissioned officers until a skeleton of twenty to forty reserve divisions has been mobilised.

During the September crisis France mobilised 120,000 troops. It is believed that this total will be surpassed if the existing tension continues.—United Press.

NOTHING PUBLISHED

Paris, Mar. 20. Rigid silence is likely to prevail in future, and it is possible that little will be published regarding the new measures decreed by the Government. It is suggested that measures be taken to prohibit publication of information.—Domei.

JAPANESE LANDING

New Invasion In Hangchow Bay

HANGCHOW, Mar. 21.

JAPANESE TROOPS effected a surprise landing at an undisclosed point on the Chientang River in Hangchow Bay in northern Chekiang Province at 6.30 a.m. to-day.

In carrying out the landing, Japanese troops suffered no losses, Japanese military authorities claim.—Domei.

NEW CLASH IN EAST

HARBIN, Mar. 21.

A SQUAD OF Soviet soldiers led by a company officer crossed the border north of Suifenho on the eastern Soviet-Manchoukuo frontier about 3 p.m. on Sunday and taking up positions inside Manchoukuo territory opened fire on Japanese border posts.

The Japanese forces responded to the fire and repulsed the Soviets shortly after 5 p.m. recovering the positions occupied by the invaders, advices from the frontier outposts indicate.

The place was also invaded by four Soviet troops on March 5.—Domei.

RUSSIANS PROPOSE DEMOCRAT FRONT

MOSCOW, Mar. 21.

RUSSIA has suggested a convocation of British, French, Rumanian, Polish, and Turkish representatives in a conference to check mid-European aggression.

Great Britain has given a tentative reply to the Soviet proposal for a Six-Power conference.

The reply stated that Mr. Chamberlain's Government is not opposed in principle to the suggestion, but further consideration to ensure a final answer will be forthcoming.

The United Press has confirmed the Soviet proposal was made officially.

SOVIET MAY JOIN DEFENCE ALIGNMENT

London, Mar. 20. Britain and Russia have forgotten their two decades of mutual suspicion in the European rally against Hitler.

Britain has offered commercial aid to Rumania to withstand the threat of Nazi domination.

Reliable sources state that Russia has proposed a Nine-Power conference of European nations to consolidate the "anti-Hitler" campaign.

Boostered by the stern attitude of the United States, Mr. Chamberlain has taken the lead in negotiating a United Front including Russia, France, Poland, Rumania and the Balkans.

In the House of Commons to-day, Mr. Oliver Stanley, President of the Board of Trade, announced that a commercial mission is being sent to Rumania.

Mr. Chamberlain asserted in the House that the Government takes a serious view of the events of last week.

IMMEDIATE TALKS

Moscow, Mar. 20. It is understood on reliable authority that the Soviet favours the Anglo-French suggestion of a joint discussion of the situation, and proposes an immediate conference of Britain, France, the Soviet, Rumania, Poland, and Turkey.—Reuter.

CANADA WOULD RALLY

Ottawa, Mar. 20. Speaking in the Canadian House of Commons to-day, Mr. Mackenzie (Continued on Page 4.)

Canton Radio Station To Be Re-Opened

Canton, Mar. 20.

With the progress of rehabilitation works, the Canton Radio Broadcasting Station will be reopened early in April, it was announced here to-day. Broadcasts will be made in English and Chinese. Call signs will be XGOK and wave-lengths will include 780 kilocycles in long wave and 4,955, 7,225, 11,850, and 19,160 kilocycles in short wave.

The programme divided into two parts for the daytime and nighttime will contain music, lectures, notices and news.—Domei.

U.S. DENUNCIATION OF NAZI INVADERS

WASHINGTON, MAR. 20.

THE STATE DEPARTMENT HAS SENT A NOTE TO THE GERMAN EMBASSY, REFUSING TO RECOGNISE THE LEGALITY OF THE OCCUPATION OF CZECHO-SLOVAKIA.—REUTER.

TO-DAY'S NEWS MAP



is a representation of a new Entente, composed of Poland, Rumania and Yugoslavia, which is believed to be the aim of Rumania's Foreign Minister Gafencu. He is expected to put forward his idea during a visit he will make to Warsaw next month.

Polish-Rumanian relations, strained during the September crisis, are cordial again. The resignation of Stoyadinovich, the Yugoslav Premier, who sympathised with Rome and Berlin, may also make M. Gafencu's plan more feasible now.

RUMANIAN BARTER PACT

Trade Negotiations With Germany

BUCHAREST, Mar. 20.

Rumania has stood firmly in the vitally important trade negotiations with Germany.

This is the chief deduction to be made from a statement in official circles that an agreement with the German delegation is expected this week.

It is expected that it will be the "completion of the existing trade pact concluded last November."

Under the new agreement, it is stated, there will be an additional direct exchange of goods. This arises from the fact that Germany is unable to pay in currency.

The "direct exchanges" are likely to be that chiefly Germany will take more oil from Rumania, either from the new wells which she will exploit herself, or from existing sources.

Well-informed circles maintain the attitude that the negotiations have been solely for the welcome purpose of extending trade between two friendly countries.

Relations with Hungary, it is stressed, continue to be friendly, and orders have been given to troops on the frontiers to avoid all possibility of an incident.—Reuter.

REICH-RUMANIAN PACT

Bucharest, Mar. 20. It is learned that a limited trade agreement between Rumania and Germany will almost certainly be signed on Wednesday.

The agreement will be principally in the nature of a protocol extending the existing agreement.

It is stated that oil as granted to Germany will only be of small quantity having little relation to what was originally demanded.—Reuter.

Japanese Drug Evil In North

Weihaiwei Sadden With Opium

London, Mar. 20.

Sir John Hailan asked in the House of Commons to-day whether the Premier was aware that during the whole of the British lease of Weihaiwei, the port and the surrounding district was entirely free from the opium evil, and continued to be so until the Japanese occupation, and that since the Japanese took over the port, many opium dens had opened, and whether he was drawing the attention of the Japanese Government to the grave consequences of permitting opium dens to exist, and increase in the Chinese territories in their occupations?

Mr. R. A. Butler replied: "Yes, the question is at present under consideration."—Reuter.

Mr. W. R. Scott has been appointed Deputy Commissioner of Police.

"United Press" states that the United States delivered a formal protest to the German Embassy against the military occupation and absorption of Czechoslovakia.

According to official sources, the Note was one of the most sharply worded ever despatched by the United States in peace time.

The same quarters privately expressed the conviction that it might lead to a rupture in relations with Germany.

The agency states that the Note is reported to have bluntly condemned the acquisition of Czechoslovakia and the violation of international law which threatens world stability.

The United States is prepared for a formal denunciation of the German seizure of Czechoslovakia.

It has been learnt from authoritative sources that within a few months the United States will be represented in Japan, Italy and Germany only by Charge d'Affaires.

The Ambassadors to those nations will be in Washington, either on leave or in response to summons for "report and consultation."

The Assistant Secretary of State, Mr. Sumner Welles, co-operating with President Roosevelt, worked over the week-end on the final draft of a note to Germany which is expected to be issued to-day.

LATEST

U.S. Attitude

Washington, Mar. 21. It is not believed that the U.S. Administration will consent to take an active part in a conference of peaceful Powers.

The contribution which the Administration hopes to make is economic and moral and there would be no support here for participation in a foreign war to the extent of sending armies overseas.

It is believed that the assurance that economic weapons would be at the disposal of the Democracies would consolidate the peace front in Europe.—Reuter.

See Back Page For Further Late News

Italians Seek "Show Down"

Next Sunday May Be Deadline

ROME, Mar. 20.

SIGNOR MUSSOLINI may ask for a showdown in territorial claims in his address next Sunday.

The Fascist Grand Council is meeting on Tuesday and it is expected a final decision will be made then.

The public clamour for a showdown is increasing; the man in the street believing that Italy must strike while the British and French are still reeling.—United Press.

ROBBER TO PAY COMPENSATION

Order Made By Chief Justice

AN ORDER to compensate two women for their losses in an armed robbery was made by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Criminal Sessions this morning, on the application of Mr. J. B. Prentis, Assistant Crown Solicitor.

Mr. Prentis said the women had lost a considerable amount of money in the robbery, which occurred in January in Sheungshui Wai village. One of the men arrested and convicted for the offence at the Sessions yesterday, had been found with \$397, including \$100 identified by one of the women as belonging to her. He asked that the balance of \$297 be granted the women as compensation.

When asked if he could show cause why the order should not be made the man, Man Ying, claimed that the money was his.

"You have been found guilty of the robbery of a very large sum of money," commented the Chief Justice, "and I have power to order that any money found in your possession be awarded as compensation. I therefore make that order."

Man Ying, who was found guilty of the crime in conjunction with Cheung Kuen, was sent to prison for four years and was ordered to receive 12 strokes of the cat. Cheung, who was found physically unfit for a gaol, was ordered four years in gaol.

Motoring Offences

MUST NOT PARK AT 'T' PIER MAGISTRATE'S ADMONITION

W. R. E. Stephenson of Observatory Road was this morning admonished by Mr. C. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court for leaving his vehicle unattended near "T" Pier, in Salisbury Road from 8 a.m. to 6.40 p.m. on February 20.

In administering the caution, Mr. Macfadyen said: "Other people must know that they cannot leave their cars outside 'T' pier."

Mr. G. A. V. Hall was the complainant in a traffic summons against Lau Shiu who was summoned before Mr. Macfadyen to-day for driving a car in the controlled area at Tsau Wan between 25 and 30 miles an hour.

Mr. Hall said: "Just as we entered the wide portion of the controlled area in Tsau Wan a car sounded its horn to pass me. I signalled for the car not to pass, but it did. Just after the wide portion of the controlled area, around the bend, I heard another car sounding its horn and I again signalled it not to pass. To my surprise the car began to pass me and swung in towards me forcing me to the edge of the Road. Mr. A. S. Bliss was still behind me and he asked me if my speedometer was working. I replied in the affirmative and looking at it, I saw that we were doing 20 miles an hour. Mr. Hall's statement."

Mr. Bliss corroborated Mr. Hall's statement.

Lau denied that he had passed any car in the controlled area.

Fining the defendant \$20, Mr. Macfadyen said that he was taking into consideration the fact that the defendant had passed another car in a controlled area and that the act of passing amounted to careless driving, as Mr. Hall's car had been forced to the edge of the Road.

Steamer Sinks In Adriatic

Belgrade, Mar. 20. A Greek steamer was sunk to-day when it ran on a submerged reef in the vicinity of the Island of Vis in the Adriatic Sea.

The steamer was the Valinos, and although it sank quickly after hitting the reef, it is reported that the entire crew, of 30 were saved.—Trans-Ocean.

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ARMED ROBBERS SENT TO PRISON

Sequel To Shaukiwan A.M. Crime

IMPRISONMENT for three years was imposed by the Chief Justice (Sir Atholl MacGregor) at the Criminal Sessions this morning on Tsang On, Tong Ping and Yu Yan, for an armed robbery at Shaukiwan on January 21.

The men pleaded not guilty to having broken into a house and stolen a gold bangle set with jade, a gold ring, \$30 in Hongkong currency, a leather suit case containing clothes and a woollen jersey from Chan Lal-wun, and a pair of rattan bangles mounted with gold, two suits of clothing, \$181 in Hongkong currency, three gold rings and two strings of pearls from Chan Shih.

Mr. J. B. Prentis, Assistant Crown Solicitor, conducted the case for the Crown and the following jury was empanelled—Messrs. G. H. Stewart (foreman), J. B. Wood, H. Chan, Yiu Kew-ying, C. Sloane, Lum Koi-ying and Tung Fuk-chun.

Mr. Prentis said the case for the house was occupied by three women who were awakened in the early hours of the morning to find several men in the house. One was armed with a dagger and another had a piece of rope. The women were pushed on to beds and covered with blankets, and were unable to identify the intruders, but several days later Tsang sold a gold bangle to a ferry engineer, who gave it to his wife. The bangle was recognised by one of the victims and enquiries resulted in the arrest of the three accused.

Mr. Prentis added that in the lower court all three men admitted complicity in the affair but said they had gone to the house to steal and not to rob.

After corroborative evidence had been given, the jury returned a verdict of guilty against all three without retiring.

The purpose of the Bill was to foster Sino-British trade he would support it.

Sir John Simon intervened to give an assurance that was the purpose of the measure.

Mr. Bellenger asked whether the fund would be operated in co-operation with the United States and France, similarly to the tripartite agreement.

Sir John Simon replied that in different forms efforts to assist the financial situation in China had been made by other governments. For example, the American Government had been purchasing considerable quantities of silver, but as far as this particular proposal was concerned, he must ask the House to accept it as our contribution.

Captain Waller, who took part in the debate, said that the Opposition speakers had admitted the sum of £10,000,000 to be very effective for the purpose. It also had been the basis in the debate of the Chinese currency was not at present tottering. It had been stable for some time, and was very well supported from inside.

Denying the suggestion that this was a proposal to unpropriate banks, Captain Wallace said that the reason they were associating these four banks in the management of the fund was because they were able to dispose of an immense amount of ability and experience in this particular job, and they also had the greatest merit of being on the spot.

Whatever the Government might or might not have done in the past to help the Chinese, there was not the slightest doubt that the Bill would be a distinct and a very great help to China. He hoped the second reading would receive a unanimous approval.

Because this would have a beneficial effect on the Chinese.

HONGKONG TO OPERATE FUND

Captain Wallace, referring to the Japanese currency plan in North China, and the British Government's protests concerning it, added that "was perhaps what more comforting were inclined to think that the plan in practice would break down. If an attempt was made to alter the dollar rate from 84d. to 1s. 2d. the immediate result seemed likely to be the complete cessation of export trade, and it seemed that the Chinese legal tender would continue in circulation everywhere except in the towns and along the railways where Japanese control was effective."

Captain Wallace stated that the plan for the operation of the fund would be Hongkong, and that £10,000,000 would be subscribed immediately.

As far as this money was concerned, before it was required for the purchase of silver dollars, it would be invested in sterling here, and the interest on it made available to help the Chinese banks pay the interest due to the British banks. The interest of 2½ per cent. was agreed for the present.

If the agreement was renewed after a year, a higher or lower rate of interest might be appropriate. The reason why an upward limit rate of interest had not been stated in the Bill was that the agreement might continue for a number of years, and "we do not want to keep coming back to the House for authority," explained Captain Wallace.

No division was taken and the Bill was given a second reading, while the accompanying money resolution was agreed to without discussion.

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THE DECLARATION that "there is no sacrifice which the people of Britain are not prepared to accept if shown to be necessary for the protection of Britain's vital interests" was made by Sir John Anderson, at a luncheon to-day of the Foreign Press Association.

Sir John Anderson reminded his hearers that prior to January last when the national service campaign started, 1,100,000 people had volunteered for air raid protection, and since the campaign had been started, a further 500,000 men and women had been recruited.

The total number of the recruited greatly exceeded the number of those volunteering during the corresponding period of the beginning of the Great War.—Reuter Special.

REVENUE OFFICERS FIND HEROIN DEPOT

Huge Haul Of Pills Made: Prison For Two Men

A RED PILL depot to which persons repaired with keys to take heroin drugs as required, was the subject of a charge against three Chinese males before Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell at Supreme Court this morning.

Leung Ping and Li Chi-kwong were charged with unlawful possession of 108,555 heroin pills at No. 121, Fa Yuen Street, on February 10; Leung Chung was charged with unlawful possession of 53,000 heroin pills on the same day and place. Leung Ping pleaded guilty and the other two defendants denied the charge, Leung Chung being represented by the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada instructed by Mr. D. McCallum.

Mr. M. J. Abbot prosecuted for the Crown and the following jury was empanelled: Messrs. A. C. Ellis (Foreman), Fung Shing-chung, Mu Win-fat, D. E. M. Demee, W. E. Funnell, W. Ning and Tang Pao-chun.

R.O.'S DISCOVERY

For the Crown it was stated that Revenue Officer V. A. Ahern with Chinese Revenue officers raided the premises on information on the morning of February 10. The door was opened by a woman and first defendant was seen. He said he rented the premises but had no keys to the cubicle which the officers wished to examine. Mr. Ahern accordingly broke open the cubicle and found three baskets. First defendant said he had no keys to these either as persons came to the premises and opened the baskets themselves. On being opened the baskets were found to contain heroin pills.

The other two defendants called at the premises during the course of the day and a second defendant had a key which fitted the basket containing 53,000 pills and the other defendant had keys to all the baskets. Revenue Officer Stephens inspected the premises and found another packet of pills and the contents were analysed by Mr. H. A. Taylor, Government Analyst.

Second defendant gave his address as No. 471, Reclamation Street where a photograph of a wedding group was found containing his picture. The third defendant had a furniture receipt with an address in Shanghai Street and corresponding furniture was found at that address.

At the Police Court, third defendant said he was asked to go to the premises and get some goods by Lui Luk-sin who gave him the keys. He had done this trip for Lui before and suspected that the baskets contained heroin pills.

Counsel's submission was that if he proved the defendants to be in possession of keys to the baskets containing the pills, the onus to prove their innocence then rested on defendants.

Revenue Officer Ahern gave evidence. In cross-examination he agreed that the key found on second defendant would also fit another lock produced by counsel, and in fact, the keys were interchangeable.

Corroborative evidence was given by Revenue Officer Stephens, Mr. H. A. Taylor and Young Yuen-kee, police interpreter.

The last witness did not agree with Mr. D'Almada that second defendant could have meant "a woman" when he said in his statement that he went to the premises to visit "yat koi yan."

DEFENDANTS' EVIDENCE

Second defendant gave evidence that he was 21, a native of Kwangtung, married, and a partner of the Tung Sing Joke Dancers of Macao. He had just returned to Hongkong when he decided to visit a girl whom he knew as a prostitute. He intended to take her for a walk but found the premises in the hands of Revenue Officers. He did not know what was in the baskets and the key which opened one of them was the key to his laundry basket in Macao.

In cross-examination witness said he meant he was visiting a woman when he said a "yan."

Third defendant gave evidence that he went to the premises to buy opium.

In his summing up, Mr. Abbot said third defendant had now admitted his guilt. The excuse of the second defendant was very lame and there was no corroboration of it. He had thought up the story about the key for the purpose of the case.

Mr. D'Almada said the section under which the defendant bore the onus of proving his innocence in these cases laid itself open to dangerous uses. However, the story of his client was a reasonable one and the fact that keys to all three baskets were found on third defendant strengthened his statement that second defendant's key was not intended for one of the opium baskets.

After his Lordship had summed up the jury retired and returned with a verdict of guilty against the second and third defendants.

Sentences of two and a half years' imprisonment with hard labour were passed on each prisoner.

Chinese Artillery Active

Japanese Landing Frustrated

ICHANG, March, 21. CHINESE artillery at Shyang on the Han River in central Hupeh accurately shelled the Japanese across the River on Sunday.

The Japanese ammunition depot at Lohansu on the opposite bank was hit and set on fire. The conflagration lasted for several hours punctuated by loud explosions. Heavy damage is believed to have been caused.

Two Japanese units made further attempts to cross the Han River under cover of darkness on Sunday night. One unit tried to cross the river at Shyang and another at Changchichang. They were both repulsed.—Central News.

CHENHAI AGAIN SHELLED

Kinhwa, Chekiang, Mar. 21. Chenhai, on the northern Chekiang coast, was subjected to another naval bombardment yesterday afternoon. Over 100 shells were fired by a concentration of Japanese warships. However little damage was done.

Yuyaoan on the Chekiang coast was also shelled by four Japanese warships yesterday. After firing over 30 shells, two of the warships steamed off in a north-easterly direction. The other two still remain.—Central News.

JAPANESE PREPARING TO CROSS YELLOW RIVER

Tungkuwan, Mar. 21. The Japanese forces which recently captured Wonsien, a battle-torn city on the north bank of the Yellow River in northern Honan, are making preparations to cross the stream.

A large number of canvas boats have been brought to Wonsien from Tsinghai in the northwest during the past few days.

A few days ago, the Japanese again laid a terrific artillery barrage on Chihai and the Lunghai Railway station there for several hours.—Central News.

POYANG LAKE LANDING ATTEMPTED

Wanchaihow, Kiangsi, Mar. 21. Under a protective barrage about 400 Japanese troops attempted a landing at Yehchiachow on the west shore of Poyang Lake yesterday morning. After suffering many casualties from Chinese fire, they returned to their warships anchored in the lake.

Over ten Japanese warships and 40 steam launches and boats are concentrated in the lake off Wucheng, strategic town on the west shore.

Heavy fighting has been in progress in the north bank of the Siu River since the Japanese landed there last day. Shelling heavily across the river, the Japanese troops made several attempts to effect a crossing.

On Sunday night hundreds of shells were hurled on Kwanyingko and Kotsing, two villages. After the terrific bombardment, between 400 and 500 Japanese troops assaulted the Chinese positions. A part of them forced a crossing.—Central News.

Overseas Chinese To Assist

Chungking, March 21. The China Branch of the International Peace Campaign has been informed by Mr. A. A. Macleod, National Chairman of the Canadian League for Peace and Democracy, Toronto, that the Chinese Patriotic League in Canada has decided to ship to China at an early date eight ambulance trucks and 20,000 blankets for Chinese wounded soldiers and refugees.

According to Mr. Macleod, Dr. Tolbot, who has been associated with Dr. Robert Lim, of the Chinese Red Cross, paid a visit last November to Canada for China's cause. One of its results is the commendable decision on the part of the Chinese Patriotic League.

Mr. Macleod was the I.P.C. representative from Canada to the China Assembly held in London in February last year.—Central News.

Mute Aided By Deaf & Dumb Teacher

A LADY teacher at the school for the deaf and dumb acted as an interpreter for an unemployed mute in the police court this morning, when Wong Chun-chau (27) appeared on remand charged with stealing \$700 from the To Hung Bank.

The case was heard before Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistracy, and Miss Lee, deaf and dumb school teacher aided the defendant in the case by using signs language.

Although Wong was found guilty and sentenced to six months' hard labour, the sentence was suspended for a year, and the defendant gives a complete set of cobbler's tools and some leather to enable him to adopt an honest trade. It was also ordered that he should be sent back to Swatow from where he had come as a refugee.

CURRENCY BILL

BRITAIN'S AID FOR CHINA

How New Fund Will Be Operated

LONDON, Mar. 20.

MOVING THE second reading of the Chinese Currency Bill in the House of Commons to-day, Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, declared that while the total British trade with China was not a large percentage of total world trade, it was well worth preserving and assisting, especially because China has an immense population, and a small increase in purchases per head make an enormous difference.

The outbreak of hostilities was a severe test of the currency system adopted very well devised technical measures, and Chinese abroad had supported their currency with remittances and subscriptions to the war loans.

Last year's currency had been carried through in orderly manner with the minimum of disturbance or undermining of confidence.

"If the House supports this Bill, they can be assured of the reputation and tradition of the Chinese in this matter."

LABOUR SUPPORT

Mr. Patrick Lawrence (Lab) supported the Bill because it provided an incentive to British trade, and particularly because it gave China definite support in the struggle against Japan. The time might come when the Government would do well to consider how far it could take other action to strengthen the Chinese and to prevent the Japanese attempt to obtain a stranglehold.

Mr. G. le M. Mansel (Liberal) also supported the measure, but regretted that the Government was approaching the matter in a far too narrow spirit. He thought we should have to do much more to secure the free entry of British trade in that part of the world.

Mr. Mansel added that the Government was actually carrying out one of the League's resolutions.

Mr. R. J. Boothby (Cons) only regretted that this assistance had not come sooner, and was not more substantial.

AMENDMENT MOVED

Mr. Ellis Smith (Lab) moving the rejection of the Bill, argued that it was impossible to check fluctuations unless a different political and economic policy was pursued by the Government in the Far East. He accused the Government of failing to take the lead in the humanitarian assistance of the Chinese people, because they did not want to offend Japan, and said that the Government's policy in the past eight years had been to deal with an aggressor at the expense of the victim.

Mr. J. J. Tinker (Lab) in seconding the amendment, declared: "What we are now doing is the result of our not making a stand when Japan invaded China."

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CRISIS QUESTIONS IN COMMONS

Effect On National Defence Programme

LONDON, Mar. 20. IN VIEW of Germany's acquisition of war material and munitions factories in Czechoslovakia, does the Prime Minister propose a revision of the national defence programme, asked Mr. Wedgwood Benn (Lab) in the House of Commons to-day.

The Prime Minister replied that his statement of March 17, that every aspect of national life must now be reviewed in the light of our national safety, of course covered the national defence programme.

Miss Ellen Wilkinson asked if this included any representation to the Iron and Steel Federation of Great Britain that pig-iron and scrap steel not be sold to Germany as we sold it in the last war.

The Prime Minister replied that that might be called an aspect of national life.—*Reuter*.

NO WRITTEN ULTIMATUM

LONDON, Mar. 20. "As far as I am aware, no written ultimatum was presented to President Hacha prior to his acceptance of the agreement with Hitler on March 15," said Mr. Neville Chamberlain during question-time in the House of Commons to-day.

Sir Neville Henderson was instructed on March 17 to inform the German Government that the British Government desired to make it plain that it could not but regard the events of the past few days as a complete repudiation of the Munich agreement, and a denial of the spirit in which the negotiators of it bound themselves to co-operate for a peaceful settlement.

Sir Neville Henderson was also instructed to say that Britain must take that occasion to protest against the changes effected in Czechoslovakia by German military action, which they were of the opinion was devoid of any basis of legality.

BOMBING THREATS

The Prime Minister replied affirmatively to an enquiry whether he had seen the press statement that Herr Hitler threatened to bomb Prague unless President Hacha accepted the demands.

The Premier added that the whole situation in connection with the annexation of Czechoslovakia was at present under the review of the British Government.—*Reuter*.

PREMIER'S STATEMENT

LONDON, Mar. 20. The situation arising out of the seizure of Czechoslovakia dominated

ed interest at House of Commons question time to-day, as well as being the subject of a debate in the House of Lords.

The Prime Minister said: "The House will be aware from the speech I made at Birmingham on Friday of the serious view which His Majesty's Government takes of the events of last week. The situation created by these events is engaging the earnest attention of His Majesty's Government, who are also in communication with other governments."

Mr. Chamberlain, who promised the Opposition leader to make a fuller statement at the earliest opportunity, told another questioner that the government would require to give full consideration to all the consequences of the German action against Czechoslovakia before any statement could be made on the question of recognition of German annexation, and control of the seized territories.

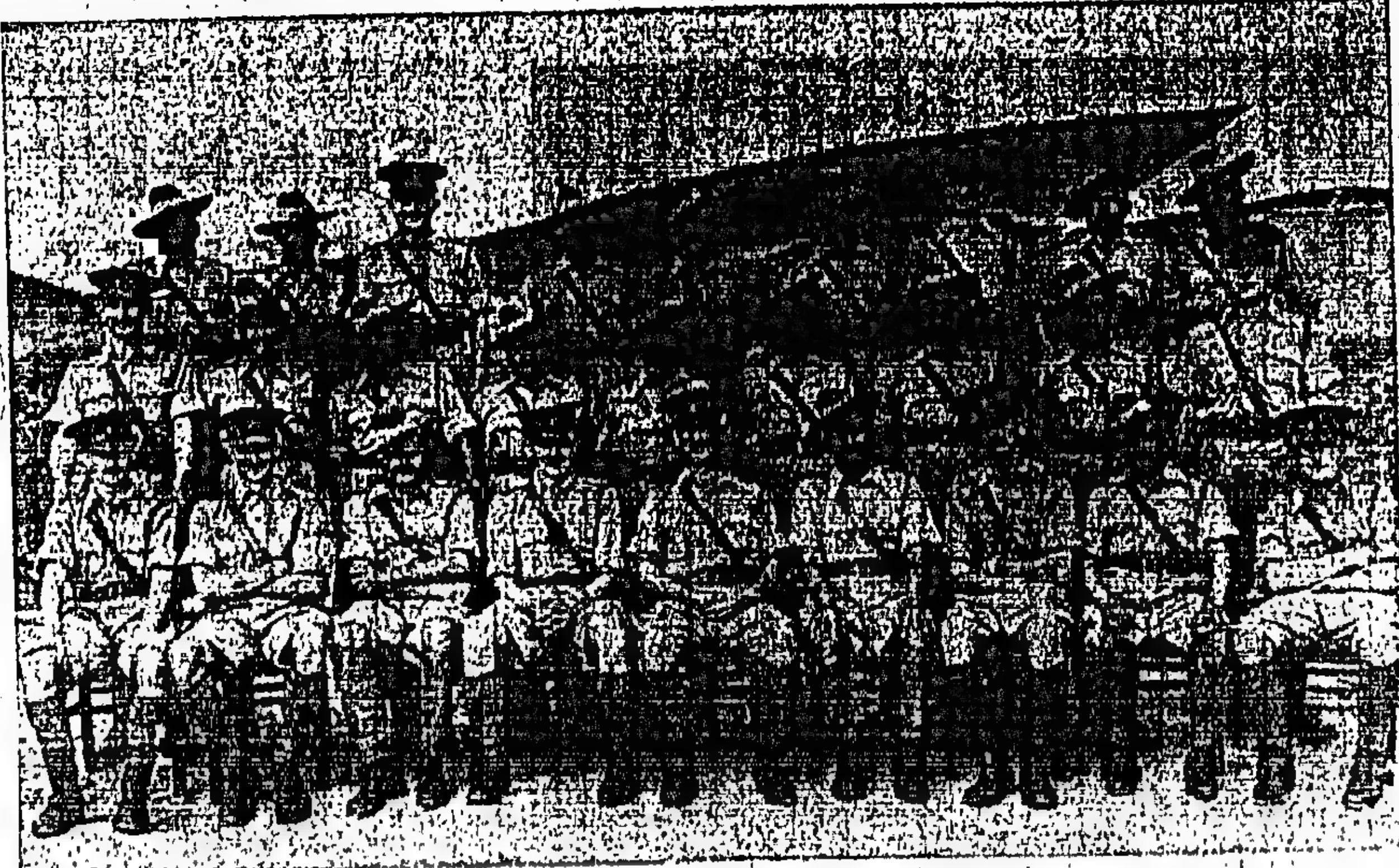
In another reply relating to consultation with other governments adhering to the principles of the League Covenant and the Kellogg Pact on common measures of defence against unprovoked aggression, the Premier again emphasised that the whole situation was at present under review by the Government.

He declined to accept the suggestion of another member that military representatives should be added to the officials accompanying Mr. Hudson to Warsaw and Moscow, pointing out that the object of Mr. Hudson's mission was economic.

In yet another answer, Mr. Chamberlain made clear that the statement in his speech at Birmingham, that every aspect of national life must be revised in the light of the country's national safety, covered the question of revision of the national defence programme.—*British Wireless*.

New Discoveries In Antarctic

Cape Town, Mar. 20. The British research ship, *Discovery II* has discovered new land in the Antarctic.—*Reuter*.



Officers of the 1st Kumaon Rifle photographed recently at San Wai Camp—Ming Yuen.

TROOPSHIP ARRIVES

The troopship *Lancashire* arrived in Hongkong this morning with 550 naval details and army personnel.

Mrs. Dobble, wife of the G.O.C. Malaya, was a passenger, and will be a guest of Major General and Mrs. A. E. Grassie at Flagstaff House. Among the passengers are Lieut. Col. F. D. Field, L.C., R.A., Lieut. P. J. T. Skipworth, R.A., Lieut. C. E. Otway, R.E., Lieut. D. C. Russell, R.E., Lieut. J. Ridsdale (for Japan), Miss M. Sharp, Sister Z. Higgins and Sister E. C. Gibbs of the Q.A.M.N.S. (for India via Hongkong), Q.M.S. W. J. Jeff and family, eighteen families of NCO's and Privates and 50 NCO's and Privates.

A few details are going to Shanghai and Tientsin.

The *Lancashire* leaves for the United Kingdom on March 28.

British Mission To Rumania

LONDON, Mar. 20. Mr. Oliver Stanley announced in the House of Commons to-day that the Government had decided to send a commercial mission to Rumania.—*Reuter*.

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1.40 Relay of Rotary Speech from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

Professor L. Foster—"America—some Impressions."

2.15 Close Down.

2.00 Relay of the Dances Orchestra from the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel.

(a) There's a Far away look in your Eye; (b) When the Heather is in Bloom; (c) Star Dust; (d) Swing Low Sweet Chariot. Record. Some of These Days; After You've Gone. Coleman Hawkins Saxophone Tenor.

(a) Believe Me; (b) Liza; (c) It's Wonderful; (d) Caravan; Records. May White Blues; Gerry Building. Gerry Moore (Piano); Popular Selection, Intro—After the Ball, Swanee, Forget Me Not, Daisy. Co. Stern (Organ).

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7.00 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

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Another Gateway?

MEMEL is hardly another
Czecho-Slovakia. But de-
velopments there are reminis-
cent of those which followed
National-Socialist organisation
both in Austria and in Moravia
and Bohemia: increasing Ger-
man pressure within, tacit sup-
port for that pressure from
without, and increased difficulty
for the governing State—in
this case Lithuania—in main-
taining law and order in the
politically besieged territory.

Yet the position of Memel has
always been less settled than, it
seemed, that of Czecho-Slovakia.
Memel's population is prepon-
derantly German. The territory
was separated from East Prussia
after the Great War and placed
under the Council of Allied Am-
bassadors, but was forcibly
seized by the Lithuanians in
1923. In 1924 Memel was re-
cognised by League of Nations
members as part of Lithuania.

Indeed, a Polish seizure of
Lithuanian territory had earlier
been accepted by the League.
Thus in this part of the Euro-
pean counterpane the patch-
work has not been considered so
firmly fixed as elsewhere. For
some years, indeed, it has
seemed to be only pasted down.
Long after the Lithuanian
seizure of Memel the inhabitants
of that territory displayed un-
rest.

The ascendancy of National
Socialism in Germany has in-
tensified the sense of grievance
among the German people under
Lithuanian rule, as it has among
whatsoever German minorities
used as spearheads for
Hitler's programme of terri-
torial expansion in Europe. The
increasing Nazification of Ger-
man leaders in Memel, coupled
with the declaration on Satur-
day by Dr. Neumann, the local
"Fuehrer," that far-reaching
changes were impending, point
to developments which may
parallel those that took place
earlier last week in Bohemia
and Moravia.

It is noteworthy, if this is the
case, that the German expan-
sionists are looking northward
along the Baltic as well as east-
ward towards the Ukraine.

"He who wants to live must fight"

Third day of "I ASKED HITLER QUESTIONS"

In which questions, asked by an interpreter, are answered from
Hitler's best seller—"MEIN KAMPF" ("My Struggle"). The answers
are taken from an unexpurgated copy of the book—an edition issued
for Storm Troopers. Page references here at the end of paragraphs
refer to this edition.

Q. "What are your views
on the French-Italian
quarrel over Tunis and
Corsica?"

A. "Italy's future will always
be conditioned by a develop-
ment which centres geographi-
cally round the Mediterranean.
Every further strengthen-
ing of France on the Continent
means an impediment for Italy
in the future.

"One should never make the
mistake of thinking that family
means an impediment for Italy
in any way exclude rivalries." (p. 700.)



Q. "There is much interest
now in your drive in the
Balkans. Do you believe in
peaceful, economic penetration
as a policy?"

A. "The talk of 'peaceful eco-
nomic' conquest of the world
was probably the greatest non-
sense ever made the guiding
principle of a State's policy.
"No people have better pre-
pared its economic conquests
with greater brutality by the
sword and later defended them
without regard for any one, than
England." (p. 158.)



Q. "Why did you choose Italy
as an ally?"

A. "In Europe there exist only
two possible allies for Ger-
many: England and Italy." (p.
705.)

"The destinies of peoples are
forged firmly together only by
the prospect of common success
in the sense of common acqui-
sitions, conquests; in short, of an
extension of both parties'
power." (p. 697.)



Q. "What do you think of
your ally, Mussolini?"

A. "The skill of a leading
statesman is shown in the
fact that—for the achievement
of his own needs at certain
periods—he always finds those
partners who must follow the
same path for the protection of
their own interests." (p. 698.)



Q. "What is the purpose of
the Rome-Berlin axis?"

A. "An alliance whose object
does not include the purpose
of making war is senseless and
worthless. One makes alliances
only for conflict.

"The conflict may lie as far
ahead as you like at the time
of concluding the alliance; but
none the less the prospect of a
warlike embroilment is the inner
inducement to it." (p. 749.)



Q. "What do you think of the
Franco-British Entente?"

A. "Germany's alliance would
enable her to carry on un-
disturbed with those prepara-
tions which must be made
for setting accounts with France.
The most important thing about
such an alliance lies in the fact
that the hostile alliance falls to
bits and the Entente, which we
have to thank for so much
calamity, is dissolved and thus
the deadly enemy of our people,
France, falls victim to isolation." (p. 755.)



Q. "You have enlarged the
Berlin-Rome axis into the
Rome-Berlin-Tokyo triangle.
What is your real opinion of
alliances between Europeans and
Orientals?"

A. "One greedily seizes the
yellow hand and embraces
an alliance which, from a racial
point of view, is perhaps irres-
ponsible." (p. 722. Context:
Hitler is discussing the Anglo-
Japanese Alliance.)

Q. "What is your opinion on
your allies, the Japanese?"

A. "The basis of actual life is
no longer the special Japan-
ese culture, although that settles
the colour of its life; but the
mighty, scientific and technical
work of Europe and America,
Aryan peoples. (p. 318).

"If all further Aryan influence
on Japan were to cease from to-
day, the advance of Japan in
knowledge and science could con-
tinue for a short time still. But
in a few years the spring would
dry up, the Japanese character-
istics win the upper hand, while
the present culture would be-
come rigid and sink again back
into the sleep from which it was
aroused seven generations ago
by the wave of Aryan culture.
One can describe such a
race as a 'culture-carrier' but
never as a 'culture-creator.'"
(p. 319.)



Q. "You extended the hand of
friendship to Mr. Cham-
berlain and M. Daladier at
Munich. What is your real
opinion of democratic leaders?"

A. "Democracy excludes per-
sonality—and puts in its
place the majority of stupidity,
incapability and cowardice." (p.
347.)

"Granting all the limitations
and spiritual inferiority of these
parliamentary medicine-men of
the white race, they cannot
themselves seriously imagine
they can, following the path of a
Western democracy, fight
against a doctrine (Com-
munism) for which democracy
is a means to an end." (p. 412.)



Q. "But you have made non-
aggression pacts with the
two Western democracies, Bri-
tain and France. What do you
think of democracy, then?"

A. "The democracy of the pre-
sent-day Western world is
the forerunner of Marxism,
which, without democracy,
would hardly be thinkable.
"Democracy first gives to this
world—pest the ground for
nourishing itself on which then
this plague can extend itself." (p. 85.)



Q. "As you say you want
peace, I should be interest-
ed to know your definition of a
pacifist."

A. "The pacifist, by complet-
ly surrendering himself to
his idea, subjectively, will al-
ways first seek the objective
right however unjustly and
severely his people is threaten-
ed, and will never join the ranks
of his herd out of pure instinct
of self-preservation and fight
with them." (p. 122.)

Q. "Supposing a better Fuehrer
than you turned up.
Would you give him your job?"

A. "The Fuehrer of the whole
party is elected in a general
meeting of members according
to the rules of the party. He is
the exclusive Fuehrer of the
movement. He carries all re-
sponsibility on his shoulders.

"The members of a movement
are always free to call him to
account before the forum of a
new election, and to deprive him
of his office in so far as he has
conflicted with the principles of
the movement or served its in-
terests badly. In his place then
steps the new man, the one who
can do better, with equal
authority and equal responsi-
bility." (p. 379.)



Q. "Why did you seize Austria
and Czecho-Slovakia?
In order to help the people or
to possess the territory?"

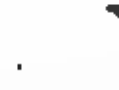
A. "German Austria must re-
turn to the great German
motherland, and not for any
economic reasons. No, no. Even
if this uniting were damaging
from an economic point of view,
even so it would have to come
about.

"Common blood belongs to a
common Reich." (p. 1.)



Q. "What is the basis of your
power?"

A. "The first foundation for
building authority is always
popularity. However, an auth-
ority which is based on this founda-
tion alone is still extremely
weak, unsure and variable. In
might, in force, we see the
second foundation of every
authority. If popularity and
force are combined and can last
over a certain time, then an
authority based on still firmer
foundation can arise, the auth-
ority of tradition. When, finally,
popularity, force and tradition
are combined, an authority can
be regarded as unshakable." (p. 379.)



Q. "You educate boys and girls
up to be nothing but mili-
tary machines. What good do
you really think can come of this
for the world?"

A. "In the long run systems of
government are not preser-
ved by the pressure of force,
but by the belief in their good-
ness and their honesty in re-
presenting and furthering the
interests of people." (p. 309.)

A. "The child... fortified
by confidence in his own
strength, gripped by the power
of commonly-felt team-spirit,
must win the conviction of the
invincibility of his people.
The National State must conduct
boys' and girls' education from
the same point of view. In the
case of girls, also, chief im-
portance must be given to phys-
ical education, only later to the
improvement of their spiritual
and intellectual values." (p. 460).

"The National State must
start from the principle that in
the community it is more valu-
able to have a perhaps intel-
lectually less developed, but
physically sound creature with
good, firm character, filled with
decisiveness and will-power,
than a talented weakling.

"A people of learned men, if
these are physically degenerate,
weak-willed and cowardly paci-
fists, will not conquer the skies,
and will not even be able to
secure its existence on this
earth." (p. 452.)

"Education must be modelled
on such a plan that when a child
leaves school he is not a semi-
pacifist, democrat or something,
but a whole German." (p. 474.)



Q. "Do you mean all you wrote
in 'Mein Kampf'?"

A. "If a doctrine is actually
right in its general lines it
is less harmful to stick to one
version of it, even if it should
no longer quite conform to the
reality, than by—improving it—
to expose a principle (hitherto
taken as one of the granite bases
of the movement) to general dis-
cussion with its most evil conse-
quences. For how can you
expect to fill people with blind
faith in the rightness of a doc-
trine when by constantly alter-
ing its external structure you
create uncertainty and doubt?" (p. 512.)

"A movement... must not
venture to make concessions to
whatever the spirit of the time
is in formulating its programme,
but must for always keep to a
form it has found suitable in all
events until victory has crown-
ed it." (p. 513.)



Q. "Do you think you can
govern Germany for ever
by force?"

A. "In the long run systems of
government are not preser-
ved by the pressure of force,
but by the belief in their good-
ness and their honesty in re-
presenting and furthering the
interests of people." (p. 309.)



Q. "If you are a dictator why
do you bother to keep the
Reichstag, semblance of parlia-
ment?"

A. "Parliaments in themselves
are necessary because in
them a chance to rise slowly is
given to men to whom later re-
sponsible tasks can be entrusted."
(p. 501.)

BUDDHA TO GO BACK

YEARS ago, a British tradesman
wandering in a remote part of Bur-
ma, took from a temple a statue of
the Buddha.

He took it home with him to Eng-
land and for a long time it reposed
on the mantelpiece of his home in
Lancashire.

Now the man has died and his re-
latives are anxious that the image
shall be restored to its rightful place
in the temple.

The Burmese Government has been
informed, and search is being made
for the temple from which the image
was taken.

GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



"Another feature you might like is the paper-thin walls—and
the folks next door argue all the time!"

Lord Halifax's Revelations to Peers HORROR OF SWIFT AIR BOMBARDMENT

RUMOURS THAT THE CZECH GOVERNMENT HAD CAPITULATED TO A BLOODLESS OCCUPATION BECAUSE HERR HITLER HAD THREATENED AN IMMEDIATE AND HORRIFYING AIR BOMBARDMENT OF PRAGUE AND OTHER CITIES ARE NOW SEEMINGLY CONFIRMED.

In the House of Lords yesterday, the Foreign Secretary said that it was most probable that the Czechs had been presented with an ultimatum on these lines.

It was difficult to avoid the conclusion, he declared, that the bulk of the incidents that occurred before the German invasion were deliberately evoked, and their effects greatly magnified.

German troops occupied two towns on the evening of March 14 while the Czech President was en route to Berlin for the fateful conference with Hitler.

NO PARTY DIFFERENCES

In face of the grave issues with which Britain is concerned party differences seem to disappear, declared Viscount Halifax amidst cheers when making a statement in the House of Lords last night.

"It is quite true," he continued, "that recent events have been a profound shock to all thinking people in this country, and far outside of it."

OCCUPATION OF VILLAGES

"Surely it is not without significance that two towns were occupied by German S.S. detachments on the evening of March 14 while the President and Foreign Minister of Czechoslovakia were still on their way to Herr Hitler, and before any discussion had taken place."

Dealing with Herr Hitler's proclamation declaring the former Czech territory to be under German protection, Viscount Halifax said:

"It should be noted that while the head of the administration now to be set up is said to hold the rank of head of the State, and while the protectorate is said to be autonomous and self-governing, there is to be a resident in Prague with full powers to veto legislation."

MILITARY GARRISONS

"Foreign affairs, and the protection of nationals abroad devolve on the German Government which will maintain military garrisons and establishments in the protectorate."

"The protectorate is bound to Germany by a customs union, and the German Government can issue decrees and take any measures for the preservation of peace and order."

"As a result of these several actions the dismemberment of Czechoslovakia may therefore be said now to be complete."

Dealing with the grounds on which Germany justified the action, Viscount Halifax said: "I find it impossible to believe that the sudden decision of certain Slovak leaders to break off from Prague was reached independently of German influence."

After giving a further narrative of the events, Viscount Halifax declared: "It is difficult to avoid the conclusion that the bulk of the incidents that occurred before the German invasion were deliberately evoked, and their effects greatly magnified."

Lord Halifax continued: "It is not necessary to say much about the assertion that the Czech President freely assented to the subjugation of his people."

SWIFT AIR BOMBARDMENT

"In view of the circumstances in which he went to Berlin, and of the occupation of parts of Czechoslovakia which had already taken place, the most sensible people would conclude that there was little pretence at negotiation; that it was more probable that Czechs were presented with an ultimatum under the threat of violence, and they capitulated in order to save their people from the horror of a swift, destructive aerial bombardment."

Viscount Halifax maintained that the plea that Germany is in some danger from Czechoslovakia could not be seriously maintained in any quarter, and he added: "I could wish instead that the explanations which have been issued and which carry conviction, that the German superior force had been frankly acknowledged as the supreme arbiter, that in fact it was."

BRITISH ACTION
"In these circumstances, His Majesty's Government thought it fit immediately to take certain action."

Viscount Halifax then referred to the immediate suspension of the visit of Mr. Oliver Stanley and Mr. R. S. Hudson to Berlin, adding:

"Although it had been hoped His Majesty's Government could, directly intervene in those unofficial councils of industrial representatives that were taking place at that very moment, we felt, and still feel, that in the circumstances, any development of our efforts in that direction was frankly out of the question, and that many other things had to be, and must remain, indefinitely postponed."

SECURITY FOR EUROPE
"The second purpose was to bring more security for the people of Europe."



LORD HALIFAX

Europe on the basis of freely accepted consultations as a means whereby all future differences might be adjusted. That long-term purpose has been, as we can all observe, disastrously belied by events.

"As to the charge of too readily believing Herr Hitler's assurances, neither the Premier nor myself have failed to be acutely conscious of the differences between beliefs and hopes; we have always acted with the knowledge that only with time can hopes be converted into sure beliefs."

Turning to Herr Hitler's actions, Viscount Halifax said: "In his actions, until after Munich, a case could be made that Hitler has been true to his own principles—the exclusion of non-Germans from the Reich, etc.—principles which he has now overthrown."

"In the inclusion of 8,000,000 Czechs under the German Reich, he surely has not been true to his old philosophy."

RUDELY CONTRADICTED

Viscount Halifax recalled that Herr Hitler in September last appeared for the principle of self-determination. That principle had now been rudely contradicted by a sequence of acts which deny the very right on which the German attitude was based.

"Whatever is true about the treatment of 25,000 Germans, it is impossible to believe that it could only be remedied by the subjugation of 8,000,000 Czechs."

"Are we to believe that German policy has entered a new phase directed at the domination of all non-German peoples? Such grave questions are being asked in all parts of the world."

"The German occupation of Czechoslovakia has been furthered by new methods, and the world has lately seen more than once, a new departure in the field of international technique."

"Countries are now faced with the encouragement of separatism not only in the interests of the separatist elements, but in the imperial interests of Germany."

"These methods are quite simple and with growing experience, quite unmistakable."

"Have we any assurance that they will not be employed elsewhere?"

DANGER WITHIN

"Every neighbour of Germany is now uncertain of to-morrow, and every country which values its national identity and sovereignty, stands in a state of alarm against the danger from within, inspired from without."

"I am glad the Rumanian Government has denied the report that went so far as to speak of an ultimatum, but it is not surprising that the Rumanian and other Governments view with the greatest misgivings the happenings of the past few days."

Viscount Halifax described the measures taken to relieve the refugee situation, and said that the Government would continue to do whatever it could to mitigate the consequences of recent events, "but it is quite plain that the success of anything we attempt depends on the attitude of the German Government."

PROGRESS IMPOSSIBLE

"For years past the British people have desired to be on friendly terms with the German people; our people were not backward in recognising that there were some mistakes in the Versailles Treaty which needed remedying."

"But each time, in the last few years, that there has been a chance of making progress in an understanding, the German Government has taken action which has made progress impossible."

"Shortly after Munich, measures were taken in Germany which gave a profound shock to world opinion. All initiative towards closer economic collaboration was frustrated by the action against Czechoslovakia."

LANCASHIRE COTTON

Indian Agreement Brings Fillip

LONDON, Mar. 20.
THE LANCASHIRE cotton industry benefits by the provisions of a trade agreement between Britain and India, signed to-day, and which remains in force for three years.

In order to compensate for some preferences on British goods which have now been discontinued, India undertakes to reduce duties on British cotton goods in the first year from 20 per cent. to 15 per cent. and valorem, with corresponding reductions on printed goods.

During the subsequent years will depend on the volume of exports of such goods to India, and the amount of Indian raw cotton taken by the United Kingdom.

Preferences enjoyed in the British markets by India under the Ottawa agreement (which the new agreement superseded) are, with a few exceptions, continued.

Each party agrees to extend to the other any tariff preferences accorded now, or in the future, to any dominion or to South Rhodesia. As regards colonial empire, provisions of the Ottawa agreement are generally retained.—Reuter.

Varsity Heads Return To Hongkong

Messrs. Li Ying-ling, Chen Pin-chuan and Wu Ting-hsin, Presidents of the Lingnan University, the University of Canton and the Kwangtung Min Kuo University respectively, have returned to Hongkong by plane, after attending the Third National Educational Conference.

Interviewed by the Central News, Mr. Li stated that the two most important resolutions adopted at the Conference were the acceptance of Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's address at the Conference as the guiding principles for China's educational needs during this period of resistance and reconstruction.—Central News.

Disguised Girl In Chinese Army

Tunk, Anhwei, Mar. 20.
For eight years Miss Tang Kweli had been with the Chinese Army disguised as a man, and only yesterday was her real identity discovered.

Tang, a 24-year-old girl from Hunan, enlisted in the Army in 1930. She had fought in over 100 battles.

During fighting at Kungking, west of Singze on the west shore of Lake in north Kiangsi, last February, she was a machine-gunner attached to the 52nd Division. In one engagement she was wounded in the arm and leg and was taken to a base hospital.

Recently after her wounds were cured, she asked to be sent back to the front.—Central News.

Chinese Coup In Kirin

Chungking, March 21.
Three hundred Chinese volunteers attacked the Forest Defence Headquarters in Hsian, Kirin, on March 17, according to information from Japanese sources.

Four of the guards at the headquarters were killed, six wounded and 23 others were kidnapped. A large quantity of provisions was also seized by the volunteers.—Central News.

A. R. P. Warden Lectures

The Air Raid Precautions Officer announces that a course of Air Raid Warden lectures will be given by Mr. Chak Tai Kwong in the Chinese language at the Chinese Y.W.C.A., Caine Road, commencing at 4.30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 28, 1939.

It is important that those members of the public who intend to volunteer for Air Raid Warden duties should make a point of attending the first and all subsequent lectures.

H.E. Major General A. E. Grassie and Brigadier A. B. Thomson will visit Macao on April 6 probably making the trip in one of H.M. Ships.

Germany's action last week, and it is difficult to say when it can be easily resumed.

"The British Government has not failed to draw a moral from these events, and has lost no time in placing itself in a practical consultation with the dominions and other governments concerned on the issues which are suddenly made so plain."

"History records many attempts to impose domination in Europe, but all have terminated in disaster. Germany and her people, if history is any guide, may regret the action taken against Czechoslovakia."

A Look Through The "Telegraph"

50 YEARS AGO

March 21, 1889.
We read that the new American navy, when completed, will consist of twenty-two vessels, ranging from the armoured cruiser Albatross, carrying 44 guns, down to a first-class torpedo-boat, carrying four officers and eighteen men. There will be 5786 men on board the twenty-two vessels—500 officers and 5286 sailors and marines.

Exclusive modistes are already displaying some very ecclesiastical looking frocks, designed for special wear during the Lenten season.

Among the pretty dress bonnets used for the moment, before the Spring novelties appear, are those of velvet, combined with Persian nets and lace, in rich broche effects and colourings. Gilt and silver laces are also alternated with new and pretty effects. The crowns are shirred or tucked, and the brims are covered with an odd arrangement of puffs and rich folds of velvet in moss, olive, golden brown, dove or mahogany.

The pretty little gathered sleeves of silk in bishop style, which are arranged inside the half open ones of brocade or velvet, are often handsomely wrought with tiny bits of white silk embroidery, with perhaps the cuffs only are so treated, or perhaps the little house dress for sweet sixteen is made with an open Spanish jacket of old rose velvet, lined with pink. The bishop sleeves, extending beyond the pointed velvet ones, are of sea-green silk, embroidered with little moss buds, and beneath the cut-away jacket is a blousy and rich collar, turns down at the back, this embroidered also and half covering a second deeper one of green velvet.

Every woman who can possess an ample wardrobe should assuredly provide herself with a trim tailor-made of Shetland tweed or Irish homespun woven by hand; while those of more limited means will do well to make these strong, serviceable, and utility frocks. Her choice for excellent and less expensive "standby" and, as something of the kind is indispensable as one nears the Spring season, a golden-brown serge is suggested, or one of dark Princess of Wales blue, if proving more becoming.

25 YEARS AGO

March 21, 1914.
The following are the results to date in the Lawn Tennis Tournament, arranged by the Hongkong Cricket Club—

Championship Singles
1st Round:—A. H. Tones beat C. R. Sutherland, 5. E. Green beat A. E. W. Salt.
2nd Round:—J. B. Penman beat Capt. A. G. White, A. H. Tones beat S. E. Green.

Singles Handicap "A" Class
1st Round:—D. Aubrey beat Capt. Clarke, Capt. Montell beat L. J. D. Denton, J. B. Penman beat A. R. Linton.
2nd Round:—A. H. Tones beat L. Murphy, S. E. Green beat Major Crisp.

Singles Handicap "B" Class
1st Round:—F. J. De Rome beat F. R. M. Collins, M. Maas beat-over from F. S. Wiltshire.
2nd Round:—G. Bagnall beat J. W. Franks, beat F. Bevington; Capt. Matthews beat F. Bevington, beat A. E. W. Salt.

Doubles Handicap
1st Round:—Phillips and Marley beat Salt and May, Joceland and Penman beat Ford and Clarke.
2nd Round:—Col. Dyer and Major Tait beat Murphy and Sandford, beat Maas and Sutherland.

10 YEARS AGO

March 21, 1929.
Lecturing to the Royal Aeronautical Society, Signor Shacco, inventor of the helicopter, designed for the handling of aerial ascent and landing, said that experiments conducted with two machines made for the French Government had shown that with fifty horse power, 1,329 pounds could be raised.

5 YEARS AGO

March 21, 1934.
Having completed a six weeks whirlwind tour of 4,000 miles by rail and 2,600 miles by motor Prince George is leaving the Union tonight to visit Rhodesia.

Communal service possessing a very real value is being performed by the Children's Playground Association, which has been entrusted with the handling of one of the Colony's biggest problems—that of seeing that adequate facilities for outdoor recreation are provided for the younger generation. So far, the Association has only begun to touch the fringe of the question, but in the words of Sir Thomas Southern, its ultimate objective is to see that every thickly populated district has its own playground.

The new China Fleet Club, replacing the Royal Naval Canton, Vancian, is officially opened with a golden key by Commodore Frank Elliott, this morning.

The trial of Renato Canica, Leonardo Buccelloni, Claudio Canica and Pasquale Capasso, charged with conspiracy against the life of Signor Mussolini, concluded before a special tribunal to-day.

Capasso was found not guilty, but Claudio Canica was found guilty, but mitigating circumstances were held to exist in his case and the sentence passed was seven years imprisonment.

The older Canica and Buccelloni were both sentenced to thirty years imprisonment. The charges arose from the plot of a bomb in the petrie of St. Peter's, Rome, in June, 1932 and it was alleged that, inspired by anti-Fascist leaders in Paris and London, they were conspiring to kill Signor Mussolini with a poison gas bomb which it was proposed to explode in the Chamber when the Premier was attending a debate.

A great pro-German espionage organization with wide ramifications throughout Czechoslovakia is claimed to have been unearthed by the police. Twenty-five important arrests have been made and others are expected to take place as the result of an investigation of documents discovered in the capture of police raids.

It is stated that large-scale espionage has been proved and that a great many Germans who arrived on the pretext of being refugees from the Nazis were really sent to obtain information for Germany.

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Sell Guam To Japan Clamour Severe Quake Rocks Japan

New York, Mar. 20.
The New York "Daily News", in an editorial to-day, favours selling Guam to Japan as suggested in a February article in the "Japan Times Weekly".
Says the "Daily News": "Instead of tempting Japan into snuffing out Guam with bombs before we can build it into something really big and menacing, why not give up the whole idea?"
"The Philippines are our weak point with their neck stuck out in the Pacific where we have no right. Let us concentrate on defending one side of the Pacific. Let us sell Guam if Japan will buy it. Let us sell permanent and complete United States freedom from the Philippines."—United Press.

The Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Asia left Shanghai at 7.30 a.m. and is due at Hongkong on Thursday at 9 a.m.

Spelling Bee

How many of these words are correct and what is wrong with the others?

apaché minaret
apannage shorin
anthills frouty
English Oxford Dictionary spellings of these words will be found on page 8.

TOKYO, Mar. 20.
A SEVERE EARTHQUAKE rocked a wide area of Japan including the central part of the main island, Kyushu and Shikoku at 12:23 o'clock this afternoon.
The strongest shock was felt in Miyazaki, Oita and Mumamoto Prefectures in Kyushu. At the city of Miyazaki chimneys toppled down, electric wires were snapped and window-panes were shattered.
According to an announcement by the Central Meteorological Observatory, the epicentre was located in the Uga Sea between Shikoku and Kyushu.—Domei.

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FINCHER AND HUNG ELIMINATED FROM THE DOUBLES

MAJOR TENNIS UPSET CAUSED BY PORTUGUESE Losers Play Below Par While Winners Excel

(By "Abe")

If any pair deserve to win their match in the current Colony Tennis Championships, they were A. V. Gosano and J. J. Remedios. They did win finally against W. C. Hung and E. C. Fincher, but made the task very hard for themselves and consequently three sets had to be played before a decision could be reached.

The result may be classified as an upset. However, on the day's play there could not have been any other result. Gosano and Remedios, on the whole, displayed better tennis, and though Fincher and Hung at certain stages were playing well, never for any sustained period did they produce their usual form.

Actually, Gosano and Remedios, after winning the first at 6-3, should have won the second at 6-4. Lending 6-4 and 40-15, they failed to win the necessary point, and again later in the set they led 6-7 and 40-15, only to be pulled back once again.

As long as they were not within sight of victory, they seemed all right; but once they had got to within one or two points of the set and match, they seemed to be mesmerized. Twice they threw up short lobs for Hung to kill, and on two other occasions, when they got to within a point of winning, they lost control and hit out wildly.

VICTORY DESERVED
These instances apart, however, Gosano and Remedios played extremely well. The latter was particularly good, especially at the start when he won many points on his own with his terrific service and wholehearted overhead play. But at times he was very erratic indeed.

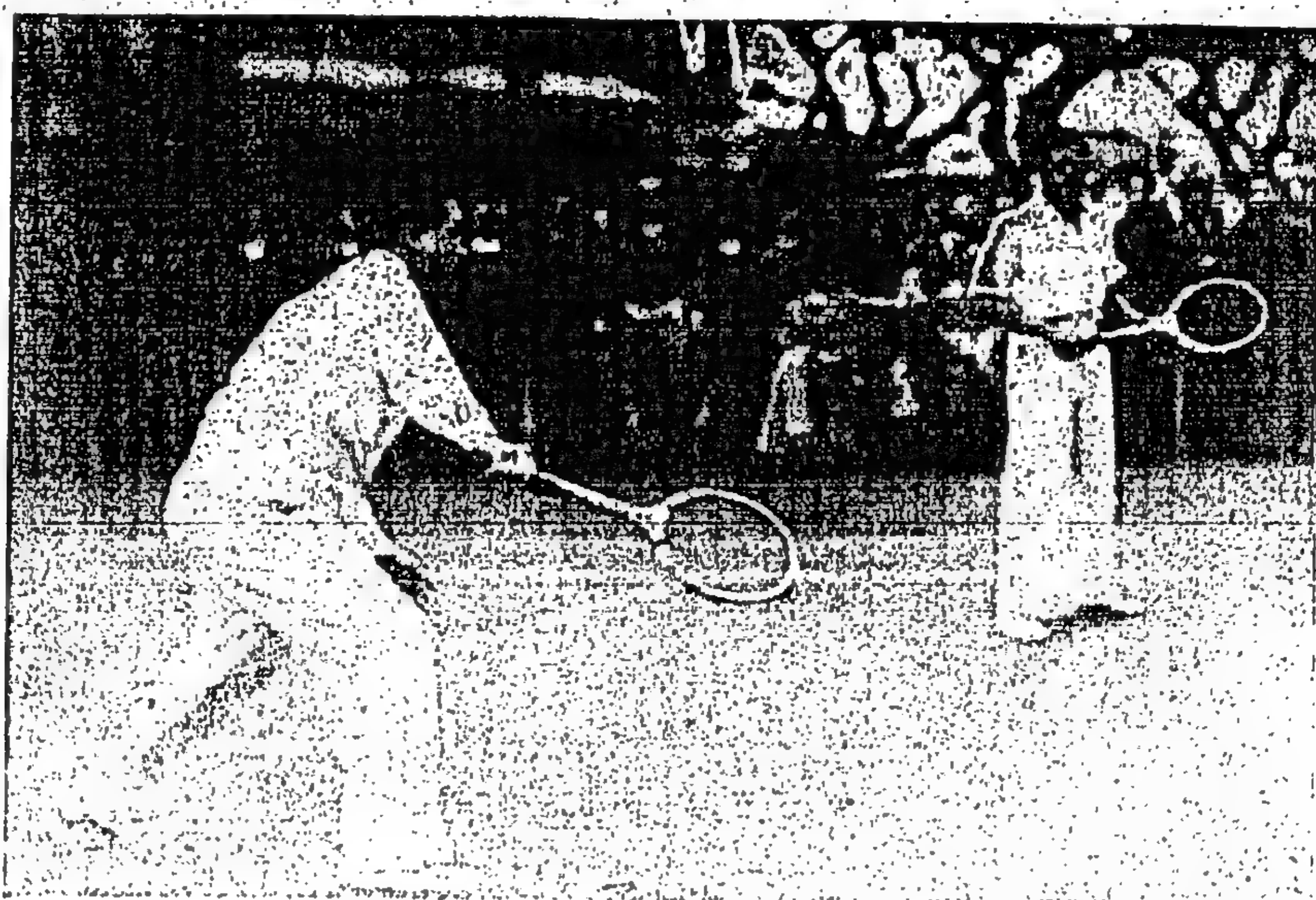
Gosano was less liable to make mistakes than his partner, but on the other hand he was also less likely to score outright winners, though he meted out just reward to all, or nearly all, lobs which were short.

The losers certainly fell far below expectations. The positioning of the winners was not always what it should have been, but instead of putting the ball through the gaps, Fincher and Hung were consistently finding the net. The greatest credit must be extended to them nevertheless for the great fight they put up in the second set which went to 20 games before they carried it off after saving four match points.

The third set was an anti-climax, the Portuguese pair winning with the loss of only one game. The losers' power of resistance had been spent apparently in matching the second set, and the third was a walk-over.

Only in parts was good tennis seen, but there were bits of brilliant play. Anyhow, the excitement provided in the second set more than made up for any deficiency.

OTHER MATCHES
Compared to this, the other matches played in the championships yesterday were dull. I. M. A. Razack and A. R. Minu, of the Indian R.C., had two hard-fought sets against the Chinese R.C. pair, Tsai Ping-fan and



J. J. Remedios (left) and A. V. Gosano caused the first major upset in the current Colony Tennis Championships when they defeated a much-lauded pair in E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung in the first round of the doubles yesterday. Remedios and Gosano won by 6-3, 12-14 and 6-1, but should have won more easily than that.—Staff Photographer.

Results Of Matches Played Yesterday

The following were the results of matches played yesterday:

Open Singles

Peter U beat Lieut. J. S. Theobald 6-1, 1-6, 6-1.
S. W. Liang beat Wei Chung 6-4, 6-4.

Open Doubles

I. M. A. Razack and A. R. Minu beat Tsai Ping-fan and Ng Kam-chuen 6-4, 7-5.
Lee Yue-wing and Ho Ka-lau beat Lieut. J. M. Tomlinson and L. J. C. Loch 6-1, 6-1.
A. V. Gosano and J. J. Remedios beat E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung 6-3, 12-14, 6-1.

Wednesday Draw With Chesterfield

In the Second Division of the English Football League, Sheffield Wednesday, playing at home, were held to a draw by Chesterfield today. No goals were scored.—Reuter.

Ng Kam-chuen. The steadiness of the Chinese stood them in good stead, but the Indians were obviously the better pair and played far more attractive tennis.

Lee Yue-wing and Ho Ka-lau romped home against Lieut. J. M. Tomlinson and L. J. C. Loch with the loss of only two games.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

Open Singles.—S. A. Rumjahn v. George Choo; Wong Shiu-wing v. K. W. Mai; F. H. Kwok v. H. D. Rumjahn.

Club Singles.—T. J. Gould v. B. O'M. Deane; T. A. Pearce v. T. C. Monaghan.

Mixed Doubles.—Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Walkden v. H. J. Scull and Miss G. Scull.

Handicap Doubles.—R. C. Bevan and A. K. Mackenzie v. E. R. Price and T. J. Price.

Handicap Singles.—Capt. R. B. Leckie v. C. M. Stark.

Irish Sweep Drawing Now In Progress America Lucky Once More

Dublin, Mar. 20. Lord Powerscourt, opening the Irish Sweepstakes draw to-day, said the setting in a theme of peace was very appropriate, for millions of prayers were being offered for its achievement. It was their right to international peace.

If democracy stood for anything at all, the voice of the people had to be heard. Even in its embryonic stages, the important thing was not to be war-minded. War was inevitable and a host of things might change the present grave situation.

War was but a path of misery for victors and vanquished, and he asked if nothing could be done to pour oil on the troubled waters. He thought trade, amusement and recreation were the best paths along which international goodwill could be sought.

Trade would be best fostered by releasing it from its embargoes and restrictions. Money, like porridge, required stirring and he suggested the Sweepstakes, in distributing their prizes, were helping to do this, and he thought that if the embargoes imposed by European countries were lifted, the Sweepstakes would be able to add to international good feeling and forge another link in the chain of peace.

It was announced that the total receipts were £2,426,547, of which £1,342,100 was available for prizes. Non-runners will receive £530 and 50 each prizes will be worth £842 each.

The hospitals have now received nearly £13½ million and over 86,000 people have shared prizes worth £44½ million.—International Press Bureau.

America Gets Lion's Share Once Again

Dublin, Mar. 20. The drawing of horses was completed to-day, a local winner being the last name out and was greeted by warm applause.

The greatest slice of luck went to America again, with 409 prizes out of 697. Europe was next with 187, Ireland did well with 55, and Canada and South Africa were strongly represented.

Residual and cash prizes will be drawn to-morrow.—International Press Bureau.

TIENSIN LUCK

Dublin, Mar. 20. In the Irish Sweep draw to-day, ticket No. PA 27214, held by J. H. An, of the Asiatic Petroleum Co., Tientsin, drew War Vessel. The runner may be worth £30,000 and must win £530.—International Press Bureau.

Rugger Matches At Home

London, Mar. 20. Rugby Union matches played to-day resulted as follows:
North 6 Oxford University 10
Cross Keys 14 Newport 10
Llanelli 6 Swansea 3
RUGBY LEAGUE
Wakefield 8 Castleford 11
—Reuter.

Here And There With "Abe"

Boom Likely In Brown Rubber Shoe Industry

THERE will probably be a boom in the brown rubber shoe industry in Hongkong this summer. At the annual meeting of the Lawn Bowls Association held last Friday, a rule was passed whereby all players in matches under the jurisdiction of the Hongkong L.B.A. will have to wear brown shoes. It is likely that there will be 27 teams participating in the three divisions of the League, which means that a total of 324 players will be turning out every Saturday.

Taken for granted that many players already possess brown shoes, the demand will still be great enough probably to cause some price of this commodity. Seriously, however, though the rule may not prove popular with everyone, as many people have been content with playing their matches in white rubbers for years and years, it is one which was bound to come sooner or later. It is merely conforms with what is already laid down by the English Bowling Association.

Better For Game

THE reason why brown shoes are advocated is that when a head is being played, players wearing white shoes and standing behind the jack are liable to cause it to be obscured, whereas if brown ones were worn the jack would stand out in relief. When one comes to think of it, the rule benefits the game. The argument, brought forward at the meeting, to the effect that comfort will be sacrificed does not hold water. The rule merely lays down that brown-coloured shoes must be worn, and those who object to wearing heavy brown shoes with rubber soles need only have to get a pair of brown-coloured canvas rubbers, which are so commonly seen in the Colony, and which do not cost any more than the ordinary white rubbers. Only the question of colours enters into the matter: I suppose one can wear any shoes one feels inclined to, provided they are brown in colour and have rubber soles.

Going Too Far

AT this meeting, it was suggested that some ruling should also be made in regard to dress at bowls matches in Hongkong. But, as most members were agreed, this was going too far. After all, the game is played here in the hottest months and it is only natural that players would want to be as comfortable as they can be. And so long as they observe the ordinary rules of decency, they should be left as much alone as possible. There should be no ruling at all on dress. I shudder.

ENGLISH BAD MINTON TEAM WILL VISIT MALAYA

Writing in the "Daily Herald," Clifford Webb, the well-known sports critic, says that the All-England Badminton Association will shortly sponsor a tour by four leading English men players and two women to Australia, New Zealand and Canada and that the team will call at Malaya on the way. This move to include Malaya in the itinerary is undoubtedly due to A. S. Samuel's splendid displays in the English county championships, of which he has won six. Webb says that the biggest international stride the game could make would be the introduction of a competition on Davis Cup lines, which is actually in process of preparation. Badminton is booming in the United States and Canada and is rapidly attracting great attention in Australia and New Zealand.

Youngsters Revive Boxing Popularity In Great Britain

London, Mar. 1.

Thanks to two magnificent lightweight championship fights at Harringay in the last two months, a new era has opened for British boxing.

Many who had never seen a boxing match before had the unique experience of seeing the Boon-Danahar contest on one of the 10,000 television sets that are owned round the metropolis or at a cinema.

Next time they will want to be at the ringside.

The amazing changes of fortune, the thrills, the sportsmanship and courage displayed by both men, gave boxing a tremendous lift.

FIGHTER VS. BOXER

The contest between Eric Boon and Arthur Danahar was one of the most brilliant and thrilling fighter-versus-boxer contests ever seen in the British ring. It is still the talk of the little world.

The fight was stopped by the referee at precisely the right moment. It was at the beginning of the 14th round when the beaten but indomitable Danahar rose at the count of nine after his eighth knock-down, and when, for the first time in this dramatic fight, it was clear that he could not win.

Ferocity and tremendous hitting power enabled Boon to retain his title after he had been given a rare boxing lesson for the first seven rounds.

Danahar had never before been called upon to fight more than eight rounds and this, coupled with the fact that 9st. 9lb. is really too light a weight for him, told its tale against a natural lightweight. Danahar will fight next as a welter.

N.S.C. TRIBUTE

Boon and Danahar were introduced from the ring at the N.S.C. programme at Earl's Court four days after their great battle. Danahar is a protégé of the N.S.C.

Admiral Sir Lionel Halsey, chairman of the N.S.C., made a splendid speech. Addressing himself to Danahar first, he said:

"The N.S.C., after your wonderful showing last Thursday, desire to do something to help you. After long consideration we have come to the conclusion that the gift which will benefit you most will be to give you a complete rest from boxing in order that you might build yourself up and do further credit to British boxing."

Handing Danahar an envelope, he continued: "With this order you can go for a month's trip; either on a cruise or wherever you like. Whatever you decide to do, all expenses will be taken care of."

"RESTORED GLAMOUR"

Admiral Halsey then addressed Boon as "the greatest fighter in this country." He added, "You won by no fluke. You pulled a losing fight out of the fire with your great heart and great punching."

"You two boys whose joint ages don't make 40 have restored glamour to British boxing."

The gallant Admiral then announced that Eric Boon was to be the guest of the Club when a presentation would be made to him.

Arthur Danahar wound up the pleasant evening by saying, "Eric Boon is a great fighter and I wish him success when he fights for the Belt a third time and hope he makes it his own property."

Then a nice gesture by Boon, who presented his rival with a handsome cigarette box and remarked that if he had not beaten Danahar, "I would have rather lost to him than anybody else."

H. K. Ladies' Interport Hockey Team Expected In Shanghai On April 6

Shanghai, Mar. 16.

Arriving probably on the 6th of April, the Hongkong Women's Interport Hockey Team will spend some 10 days in the local port during which interval they will participate in three hockey matches, including the all-important Interport Match against the pick of Shanghai's women hockey players.

In preparation for the visitor's arrival, the Shanghai Ladies Hockey Association has completed some of their plans for the reception of the colony side. Details of their entertainment, with an Interport Supper Dance being the main function, have been entered into with great care so that the southerners will be assured of a royal welcome.

The first hockey encounter will undoubtedly be against the Shanghai Interport XI with the date of the game being set for Saturday, April 6. Another interesting tilt for the visiting team will be a match against the Greens, the champions of the local women's league who have yet to lose a single game. For the third clash, a team representing the "Rest of Shanghai" will be pitted against the colony side.

ENTERTAINMENT PLANS

The Special Entertainment Committee, headed by Miss E. Bloomfield, has also arranged an extremely attractive programme for the visitors. The first item on the reception will be a welcomingiffin on the day of arrival. Following this function will be a tea and a Chinese dinner, the dates and place to be arranged presently.

The most colourful affair of the entire programme, however, will be the Interport Dance which will be held at the Shanghai Race Club. A large attendance is expected at this dance, with the major portion of the present being undoubtedly drawn from hockey players and enthusiasts. The Committee is sparing no pains to make this function the most outstanding of the whole of the visitors' stay.

The Association is going on apace with their Interport Trials this week-end with another two being scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, both matches to be played at the Race Course. The selections for these two encounters have not yet been decided but the matches are expected to produce a high standard of play.

National And Lincolnshire Calls-Over

London, Mar. 20.

The following is the latest call-over for the Grand National, which will be run on March 24:

7/1 Rolyat (t. and o.)
10/1 Workman (t. and o.)
100/9 Royal Daniel (t. and o.)
13/1 Temewillow (o.), 14/1 (t.)
100/8 Royal Mail (o.), 10/1 (t.)
18/1 Rockgulla (o.)
20/1 Brendan's Cottage (o.)
22/1 Underhill (t. and o.)
22/1 Macniffat (o.)
20/1 Coolen (o.), 23/1 (t.)
22/1 Inverleith (o.), 33/1 (t.)

LINCOLNSHIRE

London, Mar. 20.

The following is the latest call-over for the Lincolnshire:

8/1 Donah (t. and o.)
100/9 Galsina (t. and o.)
10/1 Aldine (t. and o.)
10/1 Mahade (o.), 20/1 (t.)
20/1 Hestown (o.), 23/1 (t.)
20/1 Temezzara (o.), 23/1 (t.)
10/1 Halcron Gilt (o.), 23/1 (t.)
22/1 St. Andrew's (t. and o.)
23/1 Daily Bread (o.), 25 (t.)
23/1 Zulu (t. and o.)
25/1 Dark Tolly (o.)
28/1 Agnecourt (t. and o.)
22/1 Derry Dolite (o.)
33/1 Dundee (t. and o.)
50/1 Croisun (o.), 50/1 (t.)
50/1 Sir Pomm (o.), 50/1 (t.)

Cricket Tour Ends With Drawn Game

Auckland, Mar. 20.

Sir Julien Kahn's cricketers ended their tour of New Zealand to-day with a drawn match against Auckland.

In the first innings, the tourists scored 450. Auckland replied with 270, and in the follow-on, made 304 for three wickets.—Reuter Bulletin.

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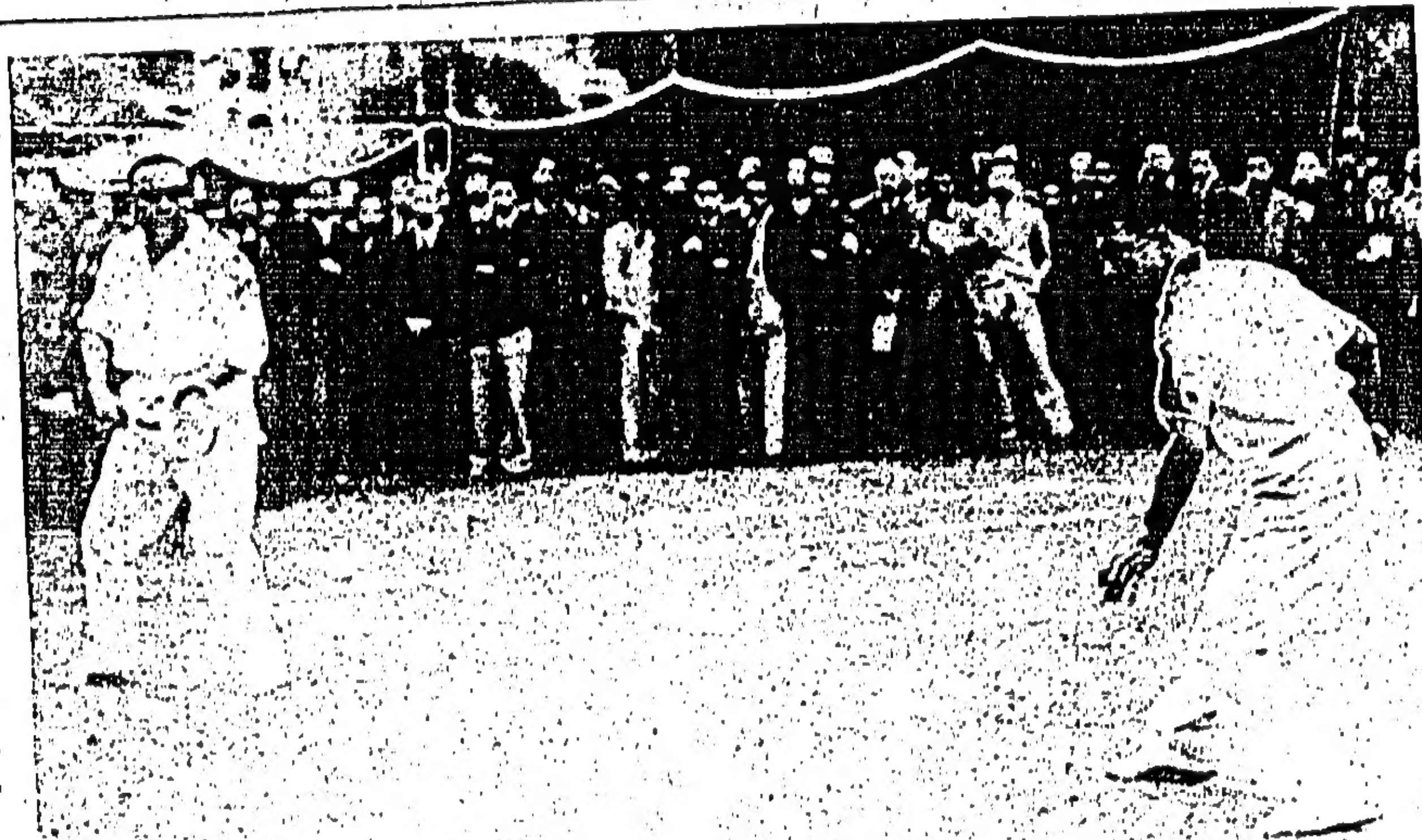
Horse Rivals Bradman As Public Idol

Australian Wonder Set Up Weight Record In Recent Caulfield Race

Sydney, Mar. 3.

Ajax, Australia's wonder horse, claimed to be worth £50,000, has now won sixteen races in succession and threatens to displace Don Bradman as public idol number one.

Never in the history of racing at Caulfield had there been such a tumultuous and prolonged demonstration as that which greeted Ajax, as he returned to the weighing enclosure, after winning the Caulfield Futurity Stakes with a record weight for a 4-year-old of 10st 6lb. His performance was the more striking because the race was run in pouring rain with mud fetlock deep.



E. C. Fincher and W. C. Hung were eliminated from the doubles of the Colony Tennis Championships yesterday by J. J. Remedios and A. V. Goss. They played far below their usual form and were fortunate to take a set.—Staff Photographer.

The previous record weight carried to victory by a four-year-old was the 10st. 3lb. carried by the mighty Phar Lap. However, Ajax really created a weight carrying record for the race, as owing to the heavy rain and muddy state of the track, his rider H. Badger weighed in at 10st 7½lb, which was in excess of the record weight of 10st 7lb carried by Eurythmic, then a five-year-old, when he won in 1922.

SIXTEENTH SUCCESSIVE VICTORY

Ajax won the St. George Stakes at Caulfield the previous Saturday, a 9 furlongs weight for age race with the greatest of ease.

His win in the 7 furlongs Futurity Stakes was his sixteenth successive victory, and his owners make no secret of the fact that Ajax is out to break the Australian record held by Gloaming and Desert Gold of 19 successive wins.

If Ajax wins his next two races in Melbourne, the King's Plate, 1½ miles, and the C. M. Lloyd Stakes, one mile, he probably will have to face the New Zealand champion, Defaulter, in Sydney, in his 19th or 20th race.

Defaulter has six successive wins to his credit in New Zealand, and the meeting of the two champions here is being awaited with great interest.

PUBLIC IDOL NUMBER ONE

Should Ajax succeed in his attempt to create an Australian record of 20 successive wins his position as public idol number one seems assured. "Our Harbour," "Our Bridge" and even "Our Bradman," hitherto ranked so highly in popular esteem, may all be superseded by "Our Ajax."

F. Musgrave, trainer of Ajax, says that Ajax seems to have become not only a national, but an international hero. He says that visitors from all over Australia and passengers from English and American liners call to see the horse.

Some of the overseas visitors knock at Mr. Musgrave's front door and merely ask "Does Ajax live here?"

The Futurity Stakes win was worth £2,300 to Ajax, who has now won 23 races and £27,475 in Stakes. H. Badger, the Victorian jockey, has won him 17 times, while the Sydney riders M. McCarten and E. Bartle have had five and one wins respectively.

"WORTH IT"

In response to an inquiry from America recently to put a price on Ajax his value was given as £50,000. After his win in the Futurity Stakes Mr. E. K. Thornton, a steward of the Kansas City Racing Club, whose trip from America to Australia was influenced largely by a desire to see Australian horses, said in an interview at Caulfield that Ajax was worth the £50,000.

"He is certainly a great horse," he said, "one of the best it would be possible to see anywhere."

"I consider he would give a good bit of weight and still beat Sea Biscuit and War Admiral up to a quarter. Even the best American horses never asked to race with 10st 6lb and it amazed me to see the speed shown by Ajax as he ploughed through the heavy track to run seven furlongs in 1m 28.4s."

"Laurin, the Kentucky Derby Winner, is a pretty fair horse, but Ajax would beat him any number of lengths."

GERMAN ATHLETICS

Japan Accepts Invitation For Summer Visit

Tokyo, Mar. 20.

Accepting the invitation extended by the German Athletic Federation, the Japan Athletic Federation has decided to send six Japanese athletes, including sprinters and jumpers, to Germany this summer. It was announced here to-day. The Japanese delegates will compete with German athletes at various districts in Germany.—Domei.

COLLEGE SPORTS

The Fourteenth Annual Athletic Sports meeting of Wah Yan College will be held on the South China Hill, on Thursday, March 23, commencing at 1 p.m.

Mr. C. G. Soles, the Director of Education, will distribute the prizes at 4.30 p.m.

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SPLENDID BOXING

The boxing tournament organised by the Middlesex Regiment and held at Nanking Barracks, Shamshuipo, last night provided a full programme of good boxing and keen contests. There were several good mixing bouts, but Private Moran, an outstanding light-heavyweight of the host Regiment, was able to dispose of his opponent too easily to show much of his prowess.

Col. A. L. Newham, Officer Commanding, presented the prizes at the end of the evening.

The results were: Bantamweight.—Pte. Williams (Mid.) knocked out Spr. Murphy (Fortress R.E.) 1st round; Spr. Diamond (Fort. R.E.) beat Pte. Panting (Mid.).

Featherweight.—Pte. Dormer (Mid.) beat Pte. Bickley (R.A.M.C.); A.B. Upton (H.M.S. Birmingham) beat Pte. Hope (Mid.); Pte. Hugginson (Mid.) beat Gnr. Campbell (8th A.A.) 1st round; Pte. Smith (Mid.) w.o. Pte. Goldburn (Mid.).

Lightweight.—Pte. Ellis (Mid.) beat L/Sgt. Lewis (R.E.) 1st round; Pte. McElhatton (Mid.) beat P. Childress (R.A.M.C.); L/Cpl. Phillips (Mid.) beat Pte. Varty (R.A.M.C.), k.o. 1st round.

Welterweight.—Cpl. Freshwater (Mid.) w.o. Trooper Robinson (8th A.A.); Cpl. Holdford (Mid.) beat Pte. Jacob (R.A.M.C.), k.o. 2nd round; Pte. Geist (Mid.) beat Spr. Cox (Fort. R.E.); Pte. Eaton (Mid.) beat A.B. Barnett (H.M.S. Birmingham), k.o. 1st round; Pte. Milroy (Mid.) beat Spr. Cunningham (Fort. R.E.), k.o. 1st round.

Middleweight.—L/Cpl. Seton (Mid.) beat Pte. Goulden (R.A.M.C.); L/Cpl. Webster (Mid.) beat Spr. Spencer (Fort. R.E.).

Light-heavyweight.—Pte. Fawcett (Mid.) beat Spr. Rodgers (Mid.); Moran (Mid.) beat Spr. St. Joseph's (Mid.); Pte. Hugginson (Mid.) beat Gnr. Campbell (8th A.A.) 1st round; L/Cpl. Belts (Mid.) beat Gnr. Pearson (8th Heavy Bty., R.A.).

Hockey

Entries For Six-A-Side Tournament

Twenty-six teams have entered for the Six-A-Side Hockey Tournament which will be played on Sunday, April 2.

The following clubs entered with their number of teams in parentheses: Royal Engineers (1), Middlesex Regiment (4), Club de Recreo (3), H.M.S. Midway and Submarines (2), Radio (2), Nomads (2), Kumon Rifles (2), C.B.A. (2), R.A.O.C. (2), Kowloon Indians (1), Royal Scots (1), 8th R.A. (2), 7th A.A. (1), and 9th A.A. (1).

The draw will take place on Tuesday next. The draw for the International Tournament will be made the following Tuesday.

FOOTBALL FIXTURES FOR WEEK

Local league football matches and the Lal Wah Cup final have been arranged as follows:

TO-MORROW

First Division: South China "A" v. St. Joseph's (Caroline Hill), 5 p.m. Referee, Linsmen, Linsmen, Demme and Funnell.

Eastern v. Royal Scots (Hongkong F.C.), 5 p.m. Referee, Glover, Linsmen, Hartley and Barretto.

SATURDAY, MAR. 25

First Division: South China "A" (Kowloon), 4.30 p.m. Referee, Hinchliffe, Linsmen, Somerville and Wyper.

Middlesex v. Eastern (Sookunpoo), 4.30 p.m. Referee, Havelnar, Linsmen, Bannum and Baker.

St. Joseph's v. Police (Caroline Hill), 4.30 p.m. Referee, Ford, Linsmen, Horlock and Stone.

Second Division: Kwong Wah v. South China (Kowloon), 3 p.m. Referee, Ip.

5th R.A. v. Eastern (Sookunpoo), 3 p.m. Referee, Omar.

Third Division: Runners-up Play-off: South China v. Kit Chee (Caroline Hill), 3 p.m. Referee, Clarke.

SUNDAY, MAR. 26

Lal Wah Cup Final: Civilian v. Chinese (Hongkong F.C.), 4 p.m. Referee, Goss, Linsmen, Farr and Hartley.

WEEK-END GOLF

F. Groves, with a score of 35-4-4=39, won the Stableford Competition of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club played at Fanling during the week-end.

Other scores were: F. S. Geldart 20+18=38, H. Overy 20+18=37, and E. T. McMullen 20+17=36. There were twenty-one entries.

OUR SPELLING BEE (see page 7) matches—one or two p's—antithesis, minaret—shagreen—crowsy.

FOURTH ANNUAL PRIZE MEETING OF H.K.R.A.

To Be Held From April 13 To 17

Programmes and entry forms have been issued for the fourth annual Prize Meeting (incorporating the United Services meeting) of the Hongkong Rifles Association to be held on the Army Ranges, Kowloon City, from April 13 to 17, both days inclusive.

Entries close on April 2 and post entries, 50 per cent. extra, will close on April 6. Any entry received after April 6 will be charged 100 per cent. and then subject to Range accommodation.

The booklet contains the provisional time-table for the meeting. On April 13, 14 and 15, there will be shooting from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on April 16 and 17 from 8.30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

During the meeting the Claybird Range will be open as follows: April 14:—11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 to 4 p.m.; April 15:—10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.; April 16:—10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 3 to 4.30 p.m.; April 17:—10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. and 2 to 3.30 p.m.

The following are the rifle competitions:—"Affiliated Rifle Clubs," China Pistol Challenge Cup, Company Match (Services), Felling Plate Match (Services), "Imperial and Police Forces," "Inter-Universities," "International," Machine Gun Match, Revolver Team Match, Senior Members Match, "Services Team Aggregates," Stead-Coulson Trophy, "Veterans Trophy," Services Claybird Team match.

*No person may fire in more than two of the events comprising this aggregate.

Badminton Semi-Finals Arranged

The following are the arranged semi-finals of the Colony Open Badminton Championships:

FRIDAY, MAR. 24

Junior Singles: J. S. Ho v. S. H. Boone (Talkoo), 8 p.m.

Senior Singles: P. K. Hui v. F. Koh (Talkoo), 8.30 p.m.

Mixed Doubles: M. A. Oliveira or K. L. Yong v. C. Au (Talkoo), 9 p.m.

TUESDAY, MAR. 28

Junior Singles: D. Kwok v. P. Lo (Talkoo), 8 p.m.

Mixed Doubles: K. L. Yong and Miss W. Cheung v. P. K. Hui and Miss Khoo or A. Keown and Miss R. Summers (Talkoo), 8.30 p.m.

C. Au and Miss Remedios v. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva (Talkoo), 9 p.m.

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*ALIPORE	6,000	10th Apr.	Marseilles & London.
CORFU	14,500	15th Apr.	B'bay, M'selles, Havre, L'don, Hull, H'bg, R'dam & A'werp, Marseilles & London.
*SOMALI	7,000	21st Apr.	B'bay, M'selles, Havre, L'don, Hull, H'bg, R'dam & A'werp, Marseilles & London.
CHITRAL	15,500	28th Apr.	B'bay, M'selles, Havre, L'don, Hull, H'bg, R'dam & A'werp, Marseilles & London.
CARTHAGE	14,500	13th May	B'bay, M'selles, Havre, L'don, Hull, H'bg, R'dam & A'werp, Marseilles & London.
*BANGALORE	6,000	20th May	B'bay, M'selles, Havre, L'don, Hull, H'bg, R'dam & A'werp, Marseilles & London.
RAJPUTANA	17,000	27th May	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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SHIRALA	8,000	8th Apr.	DO.
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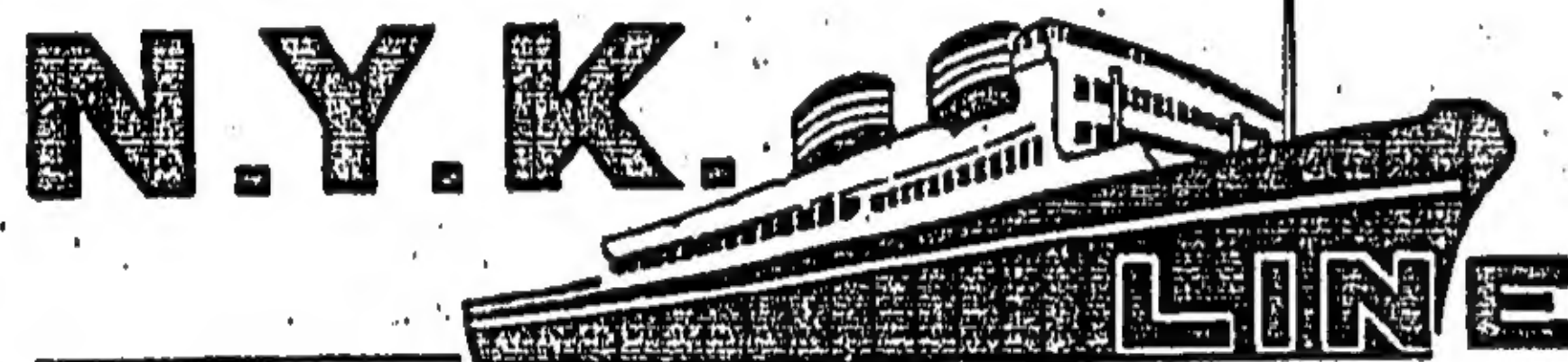
Steamers	Tons	From Hong Kong about	Destination
CHITRAL	15,500	30th Mar.	Shanghai & Japan.
TILAWA	10,000	30th Mar.	Shanghai & Japan.
NELLORE	7,000	8th April	Shanghai & Japan.
SANTHA	8,000	13th April	Shanghai & Japan.
CARTHAGE	14,500	13th Apr.	Shanghai & Japan.
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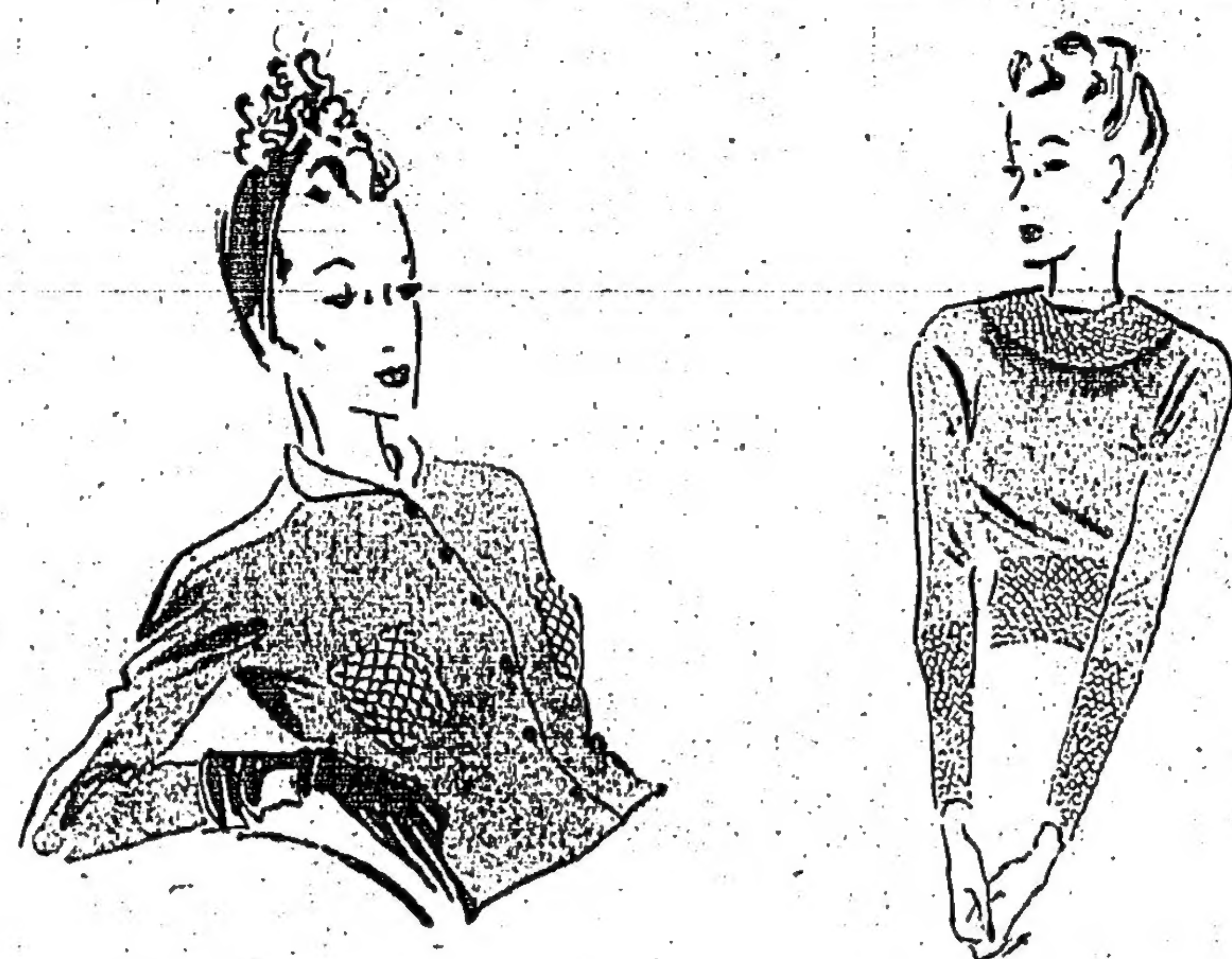
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A beginner will find it worth while to buy a smocking transfer. This consists of rows of accurately placed dots, and is a guide for your tacking threads.

Iron the transfer on to the wrong side of your material.

The distance between the dots regulates the thickness of the finished work. The wider spaced the dots the thicker and more elastic it will be.

FOR a light-weight woollen, say between 3 and 5 ounces, quarter-inch stitches, lift a quarter, lay a quarter, giving fairly shallow gathers, will be suitable. Silk, being less bulky, can take wider stitches, but you will need more material, and the smocking will be deeper.

A quarter of an inch is a good standard size for most fabrics. If you do smock anything thick you will have to tack it in big stitches but not pull it up so tightly.

Each row of tacks must be done with a separate thread.

When you have tacked the required number of lines, pull them up to an even tension. (Of course, if you are honeycombing round a neck the inner tacks, nearest the neck edge, must be tighter than those outside to give you a round.)

Either knot the threads of each two rows together, or put a pin opposite to each pair of rows and wind the threads from the two rows round it.

Stroke the gather so that the ridges are absolutely even.

Now the embroidery: two lines are worked at a time, going from left to right.

START at the top left-hand corner. Catch the first two plants in the upper row with a tack stitch. Return the needle to the wrong side and slip it down the second plant to the lower row, bringing it to the right side. Catch this plant (the second) to the next plant in the lower row (the third). Now slip the needle up the third plant to the top row and catch this same plant (the third) to the fourth, in the top row.

The second plant (when two are backstitched) in one row becomes the first plant in the next pair to be backstitched, either up or down.

Continue in this way working two plants together in each row to the end of the line.

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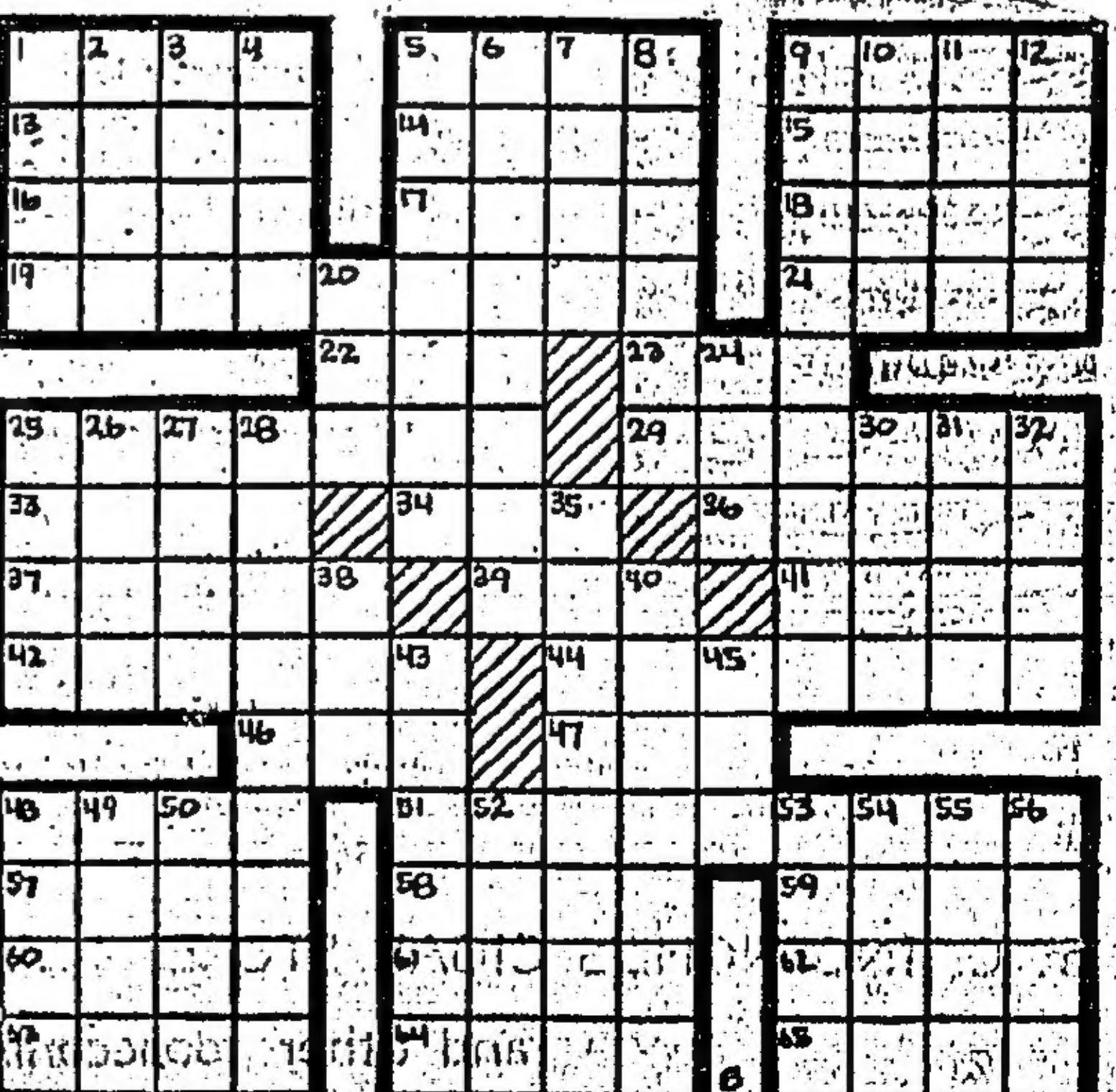
- 1—Pleas
- 2—Victory
- 3—Hill-city in
- 4—Mass abey
- 5—Pack
- 6—Dogshead shape
- 7—Jew
- 8—Large plant
- 9—Cunning plan
- 10—Deceased of
- 11—Rare metals
- 12—Small horse
- 13—Lowest of all
- 14—Implement of war
- 15—Collapsed
- 16—Box in theatre
- 17—Intense
- 18—Wait on table
- 19—Custom
- 20—Just so
- 21—Small European tree
- 22—Written commun-
- 23—cations
- 24—Amey
- 25—Hill
- 26—Self-actuated
- 27—Farm crop atten-
- 28—top
- 29—Vine to erect
- 30—Hiding place
- 31—Heaven
- 32—Common metal
- 33—Excavate underground

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

RAVE BOOK EMAN
OVIN BOKA TIME
RIND PEAS NOVY
OPEL DEBENT
DIM AUSE
ELY BILL ABLE
HIS BILDER RAT
AME INNER ADD
MARE ERID BEN
ALTO CAR
PABER MARE
BITY ABET SHOW
GIG BOGA FARE
OBER OTTA EDER

DOWN

- 1—Two bad
- 2—Outer sharp eye
- 3—With new stretched apart
- 4—Well-conceived plan
- 5—Master of rhymes
- 6—Cream with broom
- 7—Most terrible
- 8—Unit of time
- 9—Color language
- 10—Perceive
- 11—Direct valley
- 12—Ridge of land
- 13—(geology)
- 14—Monks
- 15—Red flower
- 16—Mixed with
- 17—Carries
- 18—Legal redress
- 19—Always
- 20—Inhabited caves
- 21—Dirt-like substance
- 22—Part of wheat plant
- 23—Cut of
- 24—River terraces
- 25—Foundation of metric system
- 26—Mey
- 27—Added quantity
- 28—On and above
- 29—Extension of spine
- 30—Impart to
- 31—Mental image
- 32—Cell
- 33—Anastomosis



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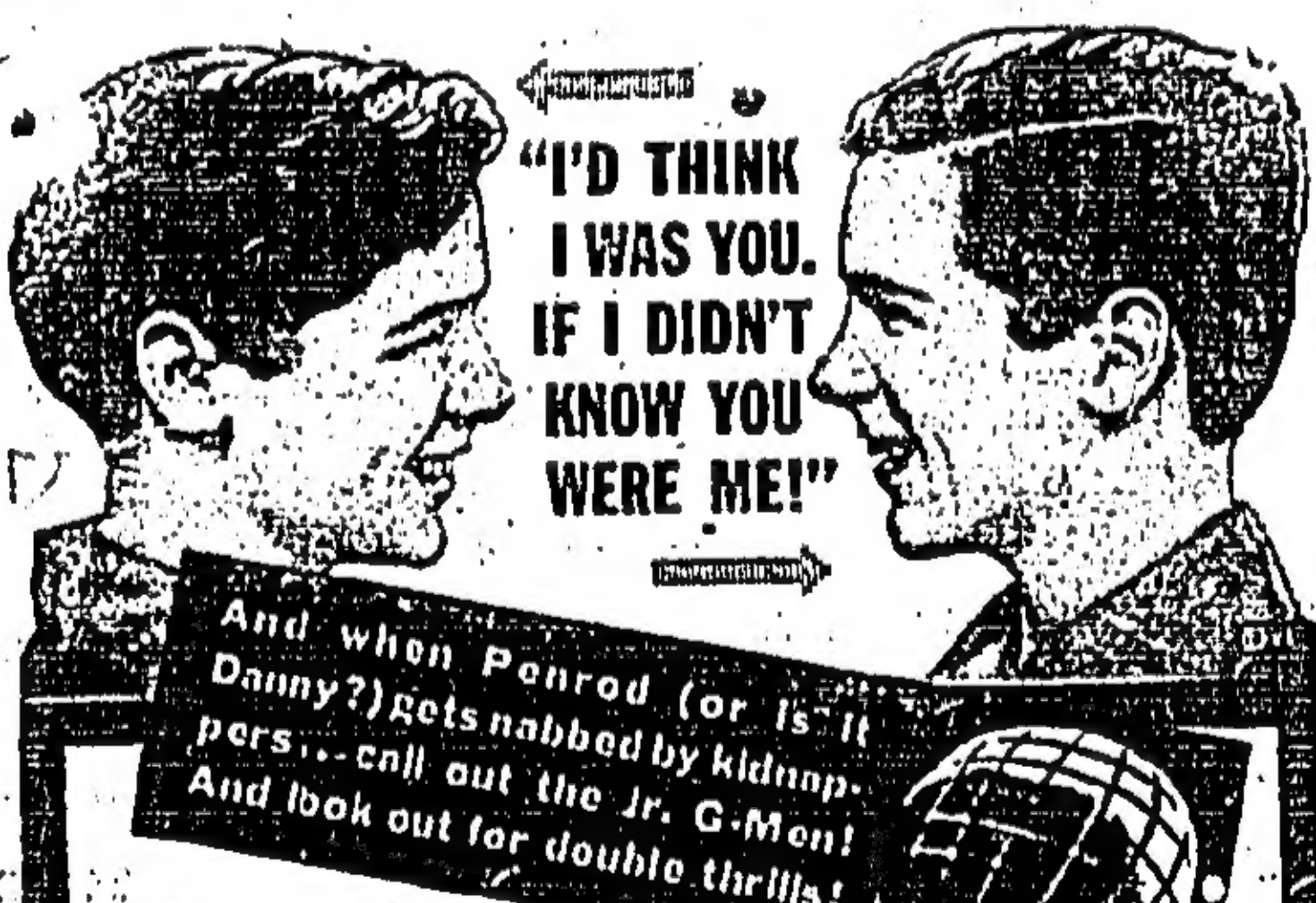
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Warsaw, Mar. 20. Forty-two children lost their lives to-day in a tragic disaster on a lake near Krzeszowice, Wolhynia. The children, who were making an excursion with their teacher, ran on the thin ice of a lake before the teacher could stop them. Under their weight the ice gave way and all were thrown into the water. At the risk of his own life, the teacher succeeded in saving three of the children, while 42 others, among them his own daughter, were drowned. All surrounding villages have been mobilised to recover the bodies, but great difficulties are encountered owing to the depth and size of the lake.—Trans-Ocean.

INDIAN DISCHARGED Too Many Discrepancies In Bribery Case

Noor Dad, Indian police constable PCB201, was discharged on three counts, of having attempted to obtain a bribe of ten cents from Tsoi Tak, 31, licensed hawk; misconducting himself as a constable by making illegal exactions from hawkers; and with assaulting Tsoi, by Mr. T. J. Houston at the Central Magistracy yesterday. Sit Him, 25, unemployed, who was charged with aiding and abetting Dad in the commission of the offence, was also discharged. The two accused were acquitted because his Worship held that there were too many discrepancies in the case. Dad was represented by Mr. M. A. da Silva, while Sub-Inspector J. O'Donovan prosecuted. It was alleged that Dad, together with Sit were at Wing Lok Street West about 1 p.m. on February 11, and there asked Tsoi and other hawkers for ten cents if they wanted to hawk in that street. Liu Chung-kam, a hawk's assistant, said that Dad approached the Lord Mayor, Sir Frank Bowater, and the City Corporation. L.C.C. reception at County Hall. Dinner at the French Embassy, given by Mr. and Mme. Lebrun in honour of the King and Queen. Drive to the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, for the command gala performance. Thursday. Reception by both Houses of Parliament in Westminster Hall. Drive to Windsor Castle for lunch with the King and Queen. Reception at the National Gallery by the United Associations of France and Great Britain. Dinner at the Foreign Office by the Foreign Secretary, Viscount Halifax, and Viscountess Halifax, at which the King and Queen will be present.

LATE NEWS

Switzerland's Determination

Berlin, Mar. 21. The declaration that Switzerland was ready to defend the integrity of her territory to the last drop of blood was read at the opening sessions of both Federal chambers yesterday.—Reuter.

Air Mail Arrives

Mails from all countries arrived by Imperial Airways a few minutes after 3.30 p.m. to-day. They were originally due on Saturday.

State Visit of French President to London

THE PRESIDENT of the French Republic and Mme. Lebrun will arrive in London to-day on their official visit to the King and Queen. The full details of the programme have now been issued.

One of the outstanding events will be a luncheon party by the King and Queen at Windsor Castle.

This will be the first function of its kind at Windsor, in honour of the visiting head of a foreign State for many years, and arrangements have been made so that the King and Queen will have an opportunity of showing the President and his wife some of the historic art treasures in the Castle.

The President and Mme. Lebrun will arrive at Victoria Station at three p.m. to-day (11 p.m. H.K.T.). The details of the arrival will be broadcast from Davenport.

They will be welcomed at the station by the King and Queen, who will be accompanied by Mr. Chamberlain, members of the Cabinet, and other official representatives.

CARRIAGE PROCESSION

There will be a carriage procession to Buckingham Palace, where M. and Mme. Lebrun will be the guests of the King and Queen during their stay in this country.

Their programme will commence almost immediately, and will be:

- To-day: Visit to Queen Mary at Marlborough House. Inspection of new premises of the Institut Français, Queensberry-place, Kensington, which the President will formally open. State banquet at Buckingham Palace given by the King and Queen.
- To-morrow: Visit to the French Hospital, Shaftesbury-avenue. Drive to Guildhall for lunch with the Lord Mayor, Sir Frank Bowater, and the City Corporation. L.C.C. reception at County Hall. Dinner at the French Embassy, given by Mr. and Mme. Lebrun in honour of the King and Queen. Drive to the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, for the command gala performance.
- Thursday: Reception by both Houses of Parliament in Westminster Hall. Drive to Windsor Castle for lunch with the King and Queen. Reception at the National Gallery by the United Associations of France and Great Britain. Dinner at the Foreign Office by the Foreign Secretary, Viscount Halifax, and Viscountess Halifax, at which the King and Queen will be present.

Non-Intervention Pact Fade-Out

London, Mar. 20. The German Charge d'Affaires Dr. Kordt, has informed Sir Alexander Cadogan that the German Government will not make any further contribution towards the expenses of the Non-Intervention Committee in Spain.—Trans-Ocean.

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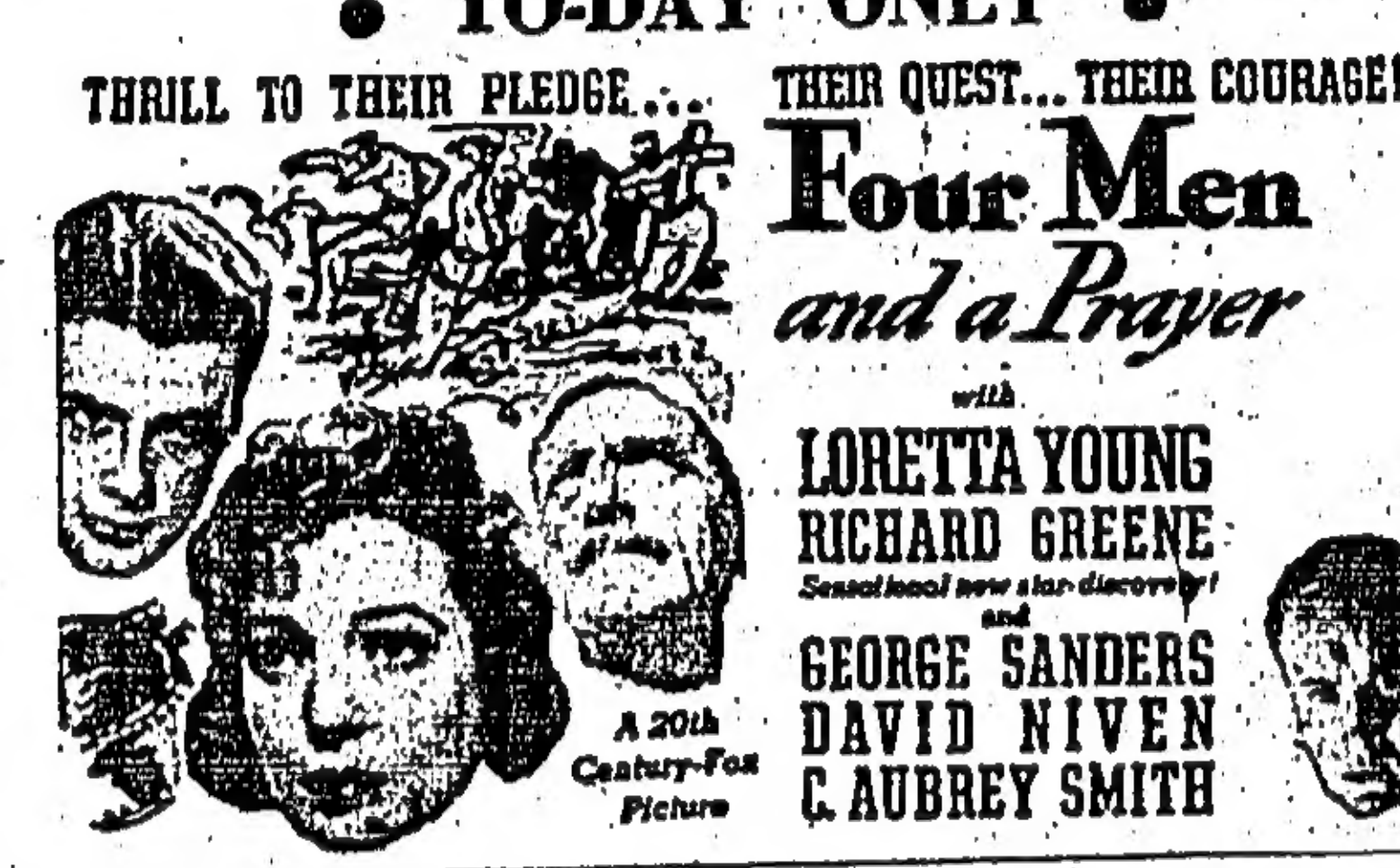
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Crown Prince Sees Pope Pius

Vatican City, Mar. 20. Pope Pius XII to-day received the Italian Crown Prince in audience. The Crown Prince, who had represented the King of Italy at the Pope's coronation, subsequently visited the Cardinal Secretary of State, Cardinal Magliano.—Trans-Ocean.

More Mechanics To Aid China

A batch of 11 young mechanics and technical experts from Singapore will arrive shortly here en route to the interior to offer services to China, according to information gathered in Hongkong. A similar group of 33 persons arrived here recently.—Central News.

Unrest Increases In Damascus

Damascus, Mar. 20. French troops occupied strategic points in Damascus to-day following the decision of the French Government to take over all powers necessary to maintain internal security. The chief of police resigned and the head of the gendarmerie has been appointed in his place. Several people were injured in clashes between the police and demonstrators who were returning from the funeral of a man killed in a previous disturbance.—Reuter.

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